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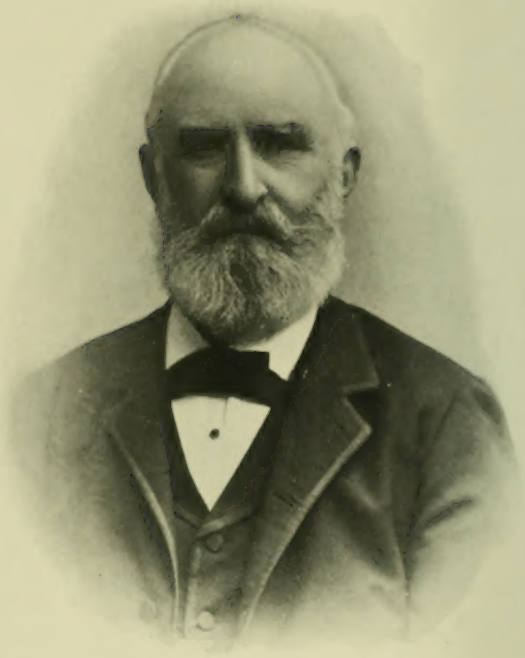

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ANNUAL SESSION.

Reading, Pa., October 13, 1896.

The Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, met in annual session in Golden Eagle Hall, Court Street, Reading, Pa., on Tuesday morning, October 13, 1896, at 11.30 o'clock.

At 10.30 o'clock the Supreme Castle Officers, Representatives and members of the Supreme Castle were met at the Mansion House, the headquarters of the Supreme Castle, by the General Committee of Arrangements, headed by the Germania Band, and escorted to the Auditorium.

Past Grand Chief Jenkin Hill presided, and introduced His Honor, the Mayor of the city of Reading, Sir Knight Jacob Weidel, who, on behalf of the municipal authorities and the citizens, tendered to the members of the Supreme Castle the freedom of the city in the following address:

Brother Knights:—The city of Reading is honoring itself in welcoming so distinguished a body of men as the Knights of the Golden Eagle. Reading is famous for its hospitality, and extends to you a warm welcome, a thrice hearty welcome, to our city. Many Orders have visited us, but none have been more welcome. We are proud of our city and its varied industries. Her fame as a manufacturing city is world wide.

Few cities are more beautifully located; her mountains and rivers abound in matchless scenery, and its people are always glad to have an opportunity of entertaining strangers.

You are many times welcome, because our people know

your Order. Hundreds of our best citizens are enrolled in its membership and are upholding the lofty principles taught. The good done here by Reading's Castles is not to be estimated in cold figures. Its influence has always been on the right side. No Order stands in higher esteem among our people.

I am proud to tell you that I am a Knight of the Golden Eagle, and, although a new recruit, I heartily appreciate the worth of its organization, and regard it as one of the grandest Orders in the country, and I hope that I may long live in its fellowship.

Past Grand Chief Hill then welcomed the Supreme Castle on behalf of the Local Committee in the following address:

Supreme Chief, Officers and Members
of the Supreme Castle.

Companions, Sir Knights, Ladies and Gentlemen:—Twenty-one years ago the Supreme Chief granted a charter for the establishment of Castle No. 1, in the city of Philadelphia; for some ten years the Order was practically confined to that city; however, the seed was sown, and began to move up the great Schuylkill Valley. Norristown planted the banner of Fidelity, Valor and Honor; passing the old historic spot, Valley Forge, "the Valley of the Shadow of Death," Phoenixville, Pottstown and Reading each in turn made application for charters, and were granted the same. In 1885 Reading Castle was instituted, and to-day we take this, the first, opportunity to personally express our gratitude to your honorable body for the confidence you bestowed in our people, and we are therefore enabled to boast of, in addition to Reading, Pastorius, the first German Castle working under the German ritual in the world; Mt. Penn, which was instituted with 168 Sir Knights; Sirius Castle, which it was my privilege to obligate with less

than three dozen members, and to-day she is the brightest star in the galaxy of bright Castles in this jurisdiction, she having a membership of upwards of four hundred; Fraternity Castle, which from the time of her institution has moved forward and upward; Neversink Castle, Neversink in name, and she never can sink; Victory also has been victorious; Wisdom, one of our baby Castles, is growing in stature and strength; Veteran Castle, No. 481, the first veteran Castle in the world, is also located here. These, with the three great Commanderies of our city, and the Columbian, St. Bernard, Lady Bayard, and Veteran Temples, have requested me, in behalf of these our jewels, to welcome you to our beautiful city to legislate in behalf of our beloved Order, and I most cordially do so, and, trusting that your stay with us shall be an agreeable one, and, praying that He who has given you safe guidance to our city may also guide you safely back again to your various jurisdictions with the most agreeable impressions of our city and hospitality, again I say to you, thrice welcome to our beautiful city.

Past Grand Chief C. B. Wood, of Pennsylvania, then made the following address on behalf of the Committee of Reception of the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania:

Sir Knights and Brothers:—I have been honored by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania in being appointed Chairman of the Committee on Reception to the Supreme Castle. As the representative of 501 Castles it is a pleasant duty to me to convey to the members of the Supreme Castle the most fraternal and hearty welcome from 42,000 Golden Eagle knights. Your visit to the Keystone State is made at an opportune time. You are here to rejoice with us on the attainment of our twenty-first birthday, and, as our governing body, you will share our joy and feel proud that our mission is no longer to be regarded as a scheme of doubtful success. Our

plans of operation are matured. Our aims and objects are determined. Obstacles have yielded to our exertions, and success has been accomplished. The handful of corn sown twenty-one years ago by Brother Ilgenfritz has grown and become as the cedars of Lebanon. Our success is in a great extent due to your wise legislation, and we pray for its continuance. We are twenty-one years of age, but we were married before we had attained our majority, and the Ladies of the Golden Eagle join us in thanking you for that legislation which brought about that union which is to-day increasing our fraternal strength; therefore, it is not surprising that they are as enthusiastic over your coming as we are ourselves. It is a gratification to know that our God has spared our founders and early workers, many of whom are with us to-day. Our welcome is, therefore, mingled with our congratulations. Again I echo the hearty welcome of 42,000 loyal and true Golden Eagle knights of Pennsylvania.

Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle was unable to respond to this welcome owing to a severe cold, and delegated Past Grand Chief E. V. Moore, of Ohio, to speak in his stead.

P. G. C. Moore responded and accepted the words of welcome of the Mayor in behalf of the citizens of Reading. From Maine to the Pacific, Pennsylvania was conceded to be the home of the great Order, for here were enrolled 42,000 stalwart men in the cause of true knighthood, and surely in the grand Keystone State there is no city where Golden Eagles have a wider influence, a more prosperous and intelligent membership, or more ready to welcome the Supreme Castle. Permit me, in the name of the visiting Sir Knights, to thank you for this hearty welcome.

At 11.10 o'clock the reception closed, and the members proceeded to the Knights of the Golden Eagle Hall on Court Street.

Supreme Chief Lyttle called the Supreme Castle to order.

Present:

A. C. LYTTLE.....Supreme Chief.
WILLIAM O. BROWN.....Supreme Vice Chief.
LYMAN P. LEWIS.....Supreme High Priest, *p. t.*
ERNST KOCH.....Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, *p. t.*
WILLIAM CULBERTSON.....Supreme Master of Records.
JOHN ASPRIL.....Supreme Sir Herald, *p. t.*
HOWARD WINSLOW.....Supreme First Guardsman, *p. t.*
R. EMORY ENNIS.....Supreme Second Guardsman, *p. t.*

And a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs, viz.:

MARYLAND—James Young, *P. S. C.*, Daniel Zeigler *P. S. C.*, Jacob H. Aull, *P. S. C.*, Richard W. Maccubbin, R. Emory Ennis, *P. S. C.*, James E. Whiteford, M. D., *Surg. Gen.*, George R. Cross.

PENNSYLVANIA—Edward S. Rowand, *P. S. C.*, William Culbertson, *S. M. of R.*, John Dickinson, *P. S. C*, J. D. Barnes, *P. S. C.*, A. C. Lyttle, *S. C.*, D. D. Blauch, Harry P. Reinicke, *Lieut. Gen.*, Charles B. Wood.

MASSACHUSETTS—Lyman P. Lewis, *P. S. C.*

DELAWARE—John B. Treibler, Jr., Jacob H. Thompson, William O. Brown, *S. V. C.*, John Aspril, W. Frank Taylor, Garrett S. Smith, J. Albert Lynam, Charles H. Hudson.

NEW JERSEY—George J. Robertson, Horace J. Parks, James E. Highley.

WEST VIRGINIA—Lewis P. Creekbaum.

OHIO—E. V. Moore.

CONNECTICUT—Ernst Koch, *P. S. C.*, Fred. L. Trowbridge, Willis H. Roden.

KENTUCKY—Eli W. Le Feber.

MAINE—Howard Winslow, *S. S. G.*, Charles F. Hayford, Harry A. Weymuth, M. D.

The Supreme Castle was opened in due form.

The Supreme Chief, in accordance with the requirements of Article V., Section 1, of the Constitution, appointed the following Committee on Credentials: P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey; P. G. C. Maccubbin, of Maryland, and P. G. C. Trowbridge, of Connecticut.

Supreme Chief Lyttle appointed P. S. C. Rowand and P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, as a committee to furnish information to the press.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that inasmuch as the minutes of the previous annual session had been printed and distributed, they be approved as printed, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, called attention to the resolution adopted at the last annual session about members of the Supreme Castle wearing the uniform of the Order while attending its sessions, and the Supreme Chief ruled that it meant while on parade.

The annual reports of Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle, Supreme Master of Records William Culbertson, Supreme Keeper of Exchequer Timothy McCarthy, the Committee on Finance and Mileage, Committee on Law, Committee on Appeals and Grievances, Committee on Printing, Lieutenant General Harry P. Reinicke, and the Executive Board of the Death Benefit Fund, having been printed, were distributed, viz.:

REPORT OF THE SUPREME CHIEF.

READING, PA., October 13th, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

DEAR BRETHERN:—Another year has gone by; another page of history has been written, and we again assemble in annual session to deliberate and legislate, let us hope, for the very best interests of our beloved Order. We meet to review the past and to provide for the future, which stands out before us; let our earnest prayer be that we may be so guided in our deliberations that all our actions may be fully in accord with the teachings of our Order, and the solemn obligations we have assumed around her altars, keeping

before us the fact that we are brethren united in a holy cause. On entering upon the duties of Supreme Chief, one year ago, I felt the weight of responsibility assumed. I have endeavored, during the year, to discharge the duties of the office to the best of my ability. I may have made some errors, and invited criticism. I have tried to be honest in the administration of the post, and I assure you that I had no other object in view than to advance the best interests of the Order. To what extent I have succeeded, I leave to your good judgment, and shall abide by your decisions, and will only add, that "to err is human, to forgive divine."

VISITATIONS.

I have been permitted to visit several States and Grand Castle sessions, and wherever I have gone I have been most cordially received and kindly entertained by the membership, and have formed new acquaintances of the most friendly kind, the memory of which will live until time shall be no more. I have endeavored, as best I know how, to present the Order and its beauty in such a manner as would draw the people to it. Seed has been sown that I feel sure will bring a good harvest. Owing to the depression in business, I found the same trouble as my predecessor in founding new Castles, and yet the record will show that we are still moving forward.

I have, during the year, visited Maryland, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Kentucky, New Jersey, Delaware, Connecticut and Massachusetts. I have also visited a number of Castles and Temples. I was also present at the Grand Temple sessions of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Ohio. I find in all of these States a desire to push forward the interests of the Order, and feel sure they will all succeed.

On November 30, 1895, after consulting with a number of the members of the Supreme Castle, it was decided to appoint John B. Powell, of Milwaukee, Wis., as an Organizer, and commission him Deputy Supreme Chief at Large, and assign him to the States of Wisconsin and Illinois. Brother Powell agreeing to work for two months for his expenses, after which a salary was paid him. The experiment did not prove as successful as we had hoped it would. It has been the means, however, of placing the Order more prominenly before these people, and I feel sure, had it not been for the very serious depression in business, much more work would have been accomplished. We should not be discouraged, for we have in these States a field that must be worked, and good results will follow. The seed has been sown, and it is sure to bring fruit, and I trust that my successor may find a large ingathering during the coming term, and I shall be glad to render him any assistance I can in the work.

NEW OFFICE.

In conformity with the action of the Supreme Castle, we have rented the room in the Golden Eagle Hall, 814 and 816 North Broad Street, Philadelphia. Brothers McCarthy, Culbertson and Brown were appointed a committee to procure suitable furniture for the same, which they did, and I think those who have visited the office will agree with me when I say that we now have an office equal to any of the kind in the country; the bill of expense will be found in the report of the Finance Committee.

Massachusetts has presented the Supreme Castle with a life-sized portrait, enclosed in a very handsome frame, of Past Supreme Chief George Otis Wiley, deceased, and it is one of the adornments of the office. These brethren are deserving of great praise, and the thanks of this Supreme Castle for this beautiful token of their love for the Order in general, and in placing in so prominent a place one of their noble sons, who, in life, was devoted to our brotherhood, and who had won for himself a place in the hearts of so many of the brethren, and who, though dead, yet speaketh to us. Will other jurisdictions follow the example of our Massachusetts brethren? There are deceased members of this Supreme Castle who live in our hearts; let us honor their memory by placing their portraits on the walls of our Supreme Castle office.

LAWS APPROVED.

November 11, By-laws, Crusaders Temple, No. 2, Wilmington, Del.

December, Constitution and By-laws, Grand Castle of West Virginia.

January 9, 1896, By-laws, Phoenix Castle, No. 4, Milwaukee, Wis.

January 13, 1896, By-laws, DeGraff Commandery, No. 13, Ohio.

January 20, By-laws, City of Lead Temple, No. 1, Joplin, Mo.

February 10, By-laws, Central Temple, No. 4, Wheeling, W. Va.

February 21, By-laws, Cyrus Temple, No. 3, Wilmington, Del.

March 7, By-laws, Roanoke Castle, No. 6, Roanoke, Va.

March 10, Amendment, Grand Castle of New Jersey.

March 16, By-laws, Arbutus Temple, No. 4, Delaware City, Del.

March 25, By-laws, Mars Temple, No. 3, Baltimore, Md.

March 25, By-laws, Guiding Star Temple, No. 5, Huntington, W. Va.

March 25, Constitution, Grand Temple of New Jersey.

March 25, By-laws, Ivy Temple, No. 2, Portsmouth, N. H.

April 22, Amendment to Constitution, Grand Castle of Indiana.

May 12, By-laws, Woodlawn Castle, No. 2, Chicago, Ill.

May 13, By-laws, Henry Rosenberg Temple, No. 1, Galveston, Texas.

May 25, Amendments, Grand Castle of Pennsylvania.

May 25, Amendment to By-laws, Crusaders Temple, No. 2, Wilmington, Del.

June 1, Constitution, Grand Castle of Massachusetts.

June 1, Constitution, Grand Temple of Ohio.

July 2, By-laws, Diamond Temple, No. 1, ——.

July 21, Constitution, Grand Castle of Maryland.

July 27, Constitution, Grand Castle of Kansas.

July 27, Amendment to Constitution, Grand Castle of Colorado.

August 18, By-laws, Rising Star Castle, No. 1, Texas.

August 18, Amendment to Constitution, Grand Castle of Maine.

September 4, By-laws, Lake Superior Temple, No. 2, Michigan.

September 16, Amendment to By-laws, Fidelity Temple, No. 1, Dover, N. H.

September 19, By-laws, Milwaukee Castle, No. 6, Wisconsin.

September 29, By-laws, Washington Temple, No. 1, Washington, D. C.

September 29, By-laws, Cream City Castle, No. 2, Wisconsin.

September 29, By-laws, Temple No. 6, Massachusetts.

DECISIONS.

No 1. Supreme Medical Examiner:

Can a Castle whose By-laws limit the age of admission to 45 years refuse the application and also refuse to initiate a candidate who wishes to join the Death Benefit Fund, if the applicant is between 45 and 50 years of age?

Answer. Yes; the Castles have a right to fix the maximum age; the Supreme Castle fixes the minimum.

No. 2. Must Castles whose By-laws limit the age of admission to 45 years, change their Laws so as to conform to the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund, in order to give applicants the benefit of joining the Fund?

Answer. No.

No. 2½. Jenkin Hill, Grand Chief of Pennsylvania:

Can the officers of a Castle use the robes as designated by Supreme Castle on the occasion of public installations?

Answer. Yes.

No. 3. H. H. Siegel, Deputy Supreme Chief, Wisconsin:

Has any brother the right to give the password to a Sir Knight of his own Castle, if he knows him to be in good standing?

Answer. The Past Chief only gives the password in the Castle. The Noble Chief may give it during the interim of the session if he has positive knowledge that the brother is in good standing.

No. 4. Grand Templar of Pennsylvania:

Can I confer the Past Templar's degree on a Past Templar from Delaware?

Answer. Yes, if she has a certificate, and is in good standing in her Temple.

No. 5. Monarch Temple, No. 2, Washington, D. C.:

Is it necessary to insert the name of hall when asking for a dispensation to change place of meeting?

Answer. Name of hall and location should be inserted in request for dispensation.

No. 6. T. F. Quackenbush, Pride of Brooklyn Temple, No 3:

Can a Temple be started by card members from another Temple?

Answer. Yes; members of a Temple may withdraw to assist in the formation of a new Temple, if they desire.

No. 7. Mrs. Kitsey Bradley, Grand Templar of Ohio:

A Temple has but one Past Templar at time of election. They forgot to elect a Representative to Grand Temple. When they learn of their omission they have 15 Past Templars. Is any one of them eligible, or must they elect the one who was eligible at the proper time for the election?

Answer. Any Past Templar in good standing at time of election is eligible.

No. 8. Question No. 2.

Mrs. V. was elected Representative to Grand Temple. After her election it was found she was not square on the books, but did not know it at the time, and was not notified.

Answer. An officer elected and found to be in arrears, must pay up before being installed.

No. 9. Harry Whiteman, Grand Chief of Delaware.

Since all the business of the Castles is transacted in the Third Degree, do you deem it necessary to open and close in the different degrees when the Grand Instructor is exemplifying the unwritten work.

Answer. No.

No. 10. Grand Chief McAllister, of Delaware.

Can Temples hold Public Installations?

Answer. Yes, if the work be memorized, and no rituals are used.

No. 11. Mrs. Jno. Palmer, Wilmington, Del.:

Can we have public opening and closing at public installations?

Answer. I can see no objection to opening and closing of Temples

in regular form, provided that no rituals are used, or any part of the unwritten work divulged. Passwords need not be taken or signs given.

No. 12. Mrs. Jno. Palmer, Delaware:

An appeal from your Temple should be sent to the Appeal Committee of the Supreme Castle. Grand Castles cannot act on appeals from Temples.

No. 13. William Culbertson, S. M. of R.:

The Grand Castle of Kansas, having but three (3) Castles and 109 members, is not entitled to representation in the Supreme Castle.

No. 14. P. T. Geo. C. Walter, Pride of Brooklyn Temple, No. 3:

Can a member who is suspended for non-payment of dues in a Temple immediately join another Temple without paying any of the indebtedness or without taking a card?

Answer. A member suspended for non-payment of dues can only regain membership in another Temple by getting a dismissal certificate from the Temple where membership had been held.

No. 15. Mrs Lottie Turner, Grand Templar of Pennsylvania.

Is it legal for a Grand Templar to appoint a District Grand Templar at Large?

Answer. She has the right, if she so desires.

No. 16. Corty Knight, Marion, Ind.:

No. 1. Can a Grand Chief appoint a District Grand Templar when there is no Grand Temple?

No. 2. Can a District Grand Templar act officially when she is in arrears for dues for more than six months?

No. 3. Has a District Grand Chief power to install officers of a Temple where he is not a member of said Temple?

Answer No. 1. In States where Grand Temples do uot exist the Grand Chief is authorized to appoint one or more Past Templars as District Grand Templars, for the purpose of installing the officers, conferring the Past Templars' Degree, and granting dispensations.

No. 2. No officer can act legally when in arrears for dues.

No. 3. He has no authority in a Temple as a District Grand Chief.

No. 17. Grand Chief of West Virginia:

When is the report on a candidate for election received? When it is placed on the desk of the Master of Records, or when it is read to the Castle?

Answer. When it has been read to the Castle.

No. 18. Grand Chief of New Jersey:

A brother having been expelled from the Order, makes an appeal to the Grand Castle. In what relation does he stand towards the Order; that is, is he still a member of the Order until his case is decided by the Grand Castle?

Answer. The action of his Castle will stand until it is reversed by the Grand Castle.

2d. Does his expulsion, and having appealed, sever his connection with the Death Benefit Fund?

Answer. In the absence of any direct law on a case of this kind, I would decide that he may retain his membership until the case is decided, provided he keeps his dues and assessments paid up.

3d. Can a special session be called to act upon report of the Appeal Committee, or does "succeeding" mean the next annual session.

Answer. I am unable to see any provision in your Constitution for a special session to hear the report, only by a call from ten (10) Past Chiefs, representing five (5) Castles.

INSTITUTED.

During the year we have had added to our ranks 53 Castles and 43 Temples, as follows:

Pennsylvania	19	Castles,	18	Temples.
Maryland	1	"	1	"
New York	2	"	2	"
West Virginia	4	"	"	"
Ohio	10	"	12	"
Michigan	2	"	0	"
Colorado	3	"	0	"
Indiana	2	"	2	"
Kentucky	5	"	0	"
Illinois	1	"	1	"
Wisconsin	2	"	1	"
Texas	1	"	0	"
Montana	1	"	0	"
New Jersey	0	"	4	"
Missouri	0	"	1	"
Total	53		43	

With a number now under way and which will soon be instituted.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

No. 1. That the dispensations under which Castles and Temples have been instituted during the year be approved, and that charters be granted in lieu of the same, to be signed by me.

No. 2. Our financial condition is such that very decided action must be taken in some way to replenish our treasury, and I would recommend:

First. That our laws be so amended that our sessions be held biennially.

Second. That Grand Temples pay to the Supreme Castle a per capita tax.

Third. That the prices of our supplies be carefully considered, with a view to increasing our revenue from their sale.

No. 3. That the committee appointed by me to compile a digest of our laws be continued, owing to the fact that the work has not been accomplished, and it is very much needed.

No. 4. That our laws be amended to fix the minimum fee at $5.

No. 5. That the fee of $15 paid to organizers be confined to Castles instituted under the immediate control of the Supreme Castle.

No. 6. That the "Knights of the Golden Eagle" be continued as the official organ, and the usual appropriation be made towards its support.

No. 7. That the Committee on Laws be instructed to clearly define the duties of Grand Chiefs toward Temples where no Grand Temples exist, and report at this session, so that they may be printed in the journal of this session.

No. 8. That Grand Chiefs be required to fill all vacant numbers that may exist when instituting new Castles.

No. 9. I was present at the Grand Castle of New Jersey, held at Atlantic City on September 9 and 10, at which session there was adopted rules and regulations for the establishment and management of a fund, to be called "The New Jersey Mortuary Fund." This action I consider is in violation of Article 14 of the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund, and would therefore recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee on Laws, to report at this session.

MILITARY BRANCH.

While there has been some new interest manifested in the Military Branch, it has not made the progress we had wished to see. We believe, however, there is a bright future before it. As per directions of this Supreme Castle at its last session, I appointed P. S. C. Jay D. Barnes, Lieutenant General H. P. Reinicke and P. G. C. Charles B. Wood a committee to prepare Ritual and Laws for the Degree of Chivalry. They will make their report, which, I trust,

will meet the approval of this body, and the Ritual and Laws be promulgated as soon as possible. For further details of Military Branch, see report of the Lieutenant General.

LADIES OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

This department of our work I feel sure has fully demonstrated the fact that it is a helpful auxiliary to the Order, and is doing a good work. We have but three Grand Temples—Pennsylvania, Ohio and New Jersey—each of which seems to be fully able to attend to the duties devolving upon it. I have attended their sessions and have been well pleased with the manner they conduct their business. I have no doubt but that three more Grand Temples will be instituted by my successor.

Let us all lend them a helping hand to push onward their noble work of Faith, Hope and Charity.

DEATH BENEFIT FUND.

I would like to dwell at some length on this very important department of our work, if I could in some way or by some word induce our people to give it the encouragement it deserves, and which it should have. It was created to benefit each one of our members, by giving an insurance at a minimum cost. If it has not done so it is because so many of our people stand aloof from it, and prefer to criticise rather than encourage. We feel sure that if our membership would join the Fund we could furnish as cheap and as prompt payment insurance as can be found. The Executive Board, in their report, make some recommendations and suggestions that I trust will meet your approval, and that we will start out this year with a determination to make this department of our work grow more rapidly than heretofore.

IN CONCLUSION,

I wish to thank all who have assisted me in my labors during the year. Wherever I have gone I have been received with true brotherly courtesy, and I repeat now, what I said in the beginning, that I have made new acquaintances and friends that will long live in my memory. To Brother Wm. Culbertson, Supreme Master of Records, I am under many obligations, for his courteous treatment and readiness to assist me in the work; our intercourse has been pleasant and agreeable. To Past Supreme Chiefs Timothy McCarthy, J. D. Barnes and Jacob H. Aull, Supreme Vice Chief Brown, and Dr. J. E. Whiteford, I am very thankful for their good counsel and advice; and to many, whose names I cannot mention, for the courtesies

shown me. Brethren, I thank you all, and trust you may give to my worthy brother who succeeds me the same cordial support and kind attention, so that the coming year may be one of the most prosperous we have ever witnessed.

Yours, in Fidelity, Valor and Honor,

A. C. LYTTLE,
Supreme Chief.

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPREME CHIEF-AT-LARGE.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

A. C. Lyttle, Suprems Chief, and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—As Deputy Supreme Chief at Large, I beg leave to make the following report:

I have visited a number of jurisdictions to help enthuse the Sir Knights and Companions; traveled 5,010 miles, attending the meetings of Castles and Temples wherever and whenever opportunity offered. I intended visiting the sessions of the various Grand Castles meeting during September, devoting my vacation to that purpose, but Providence interposed, and kept me at the bed-side of one of the members of our Supreme Castle.

I installed the Officers of the Grand Castle of the District of Columbia, and assisted the Supreme Chief to install the Grand Officers of Delaware.

I wrote 532 letters and postals, and mailed 11,150 circulars, principally in the interest of the Death Benefit Fund, for which, I trust, a $250 Class will be adopted.

My expenses for the term were $386, which is my contribution for the benefit of our Order at large.

Thanking all the Sir Knights and Companions for the many courtesies extended me, I am,

Yours fraternally,

JACOB H. AULL,

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPREME CHIEF OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, September 24, 1896.

Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle:

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER:—It gives me great pleasure to communicate this to you, and also hope that I will be able to pay the Supreme Castle a fraternal visit at their next session, as it is utterly impossible for me to do so at this session, but I thought that

I would make my annual report. It is a very poor one, but I will endeavor to send a better one at the next annual session. I have granted Mozart Castle, No. 7, several dispensations for the good of the Order, and we only added one new member to our Castle since the tornado of May 27, 1896; but we have three members to initiate at our next session. Brother Lyttle, we are under many obligations to you for permitting our circular to be issued, as it helped us greatly, but not as well as I expected it would. We received in all $212.18. Sir Knight and Brother A. C. Lyttle, Mozart Castle, No. 7, extends her heart-felt thanks to you and Brother Culbertson for your kindness toward our Castle. This is about all I know of, only we are all going to work to increase our membership. Remember me to the Officers and members of the Supreme Castle of the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Fraternally yours, in F., V. and H.,

F. W. DANNE,
905 Leonard Avenue.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME MASTER OF RECORDS.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In compliance with the requirements of Article III, Section 3, of the Constitution, I respectfully submit the following report for the term ending September 5, 1896:

The following were the receipts and expenditures during the term:

RECEIPTS.

From Per Capita Tax		$1,338 55
" Dispensation Fees (in excess of Rituals, Funeral		
" Ceremonies and Ode Cards)		90 00
" Special Dispensations		2 75
" Investment and interest		2,068 75
" Interest on Deposits		14 27
" Committee on K. G. E. Hall, amount returned for alteration of Door		44 55
" Sale of Supplies, viz.:		
Badges and Jewels	$4,730 61	
Charter Plates	200 00	
Dispensation Plates	84 00	
Rituals	1,114 00	
Funeral Ceremonies	30 50	
Ode Cards	166 41	
Music Ode Books	23 70	
Question Books	170 00	
Withdrawal Cards	89 25	
Dismissal Certificates	31 00	
District Grand Chiefs' Commission	36 60	
Certificates of Membership	3 50	
Drill Manuals	65 50	
		6,745 07
		$10,303 94
Balance in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, last report		1,626 52
Carried forward		$11,930 46

Brought forward		$11,930 46

EXPENDITURES.

For Traveling Expenses of Supreme Chief and Instituting Castles under the immediate jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle	$772 00	
Salary of the Supreme Master of Records	500 00	
Salary of the Supreme Keeper of the Exchequer	200 00	
Supplies	3,176 38	
Postage and Expressage	221 97	
Printing and Stationery	1,009 09	
Mileage (Washington, 1895)	727 80	
Expenses of Session (Washington, 1895)	201 80	
Incidentals	173 09	
Rent of Office and Expenses	497 59	
Subscription to "Knights of the Golden Eagle"	250 00	
Appropriated at Session	776 73	
Premiums for Organizing New Castles	540 00	
Furniture for New Office	399 00	
Deputy Supreme Chief-at-Large (organizer)	963 00	
Quartermaster General, amount expended in excess of receipts	382 85	
		$10,791 30
Leaving balance in Supreme Keeper of Exchequer's hands		$1,139 16

The following were the assets and liabilities of the Supreme Castle, September 5, 1896:

ASSETS.

Stock on hand (cost)		$888 20
Cash in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer		1,139 16
Ledger balances, viz.:		
Grand Castle of Maryland	$51 20	
Grand Castle of Pennsylvania	42 25	
Grand Castle of Massachusetts	6 00	
Grand Castle of New York	25 50	
Grand Castle of Ohio	2 00	
Grand Castle of Kentucky	65 50	
Grand Castle of Indiana	90	
Grand Temple of Pennsylvania	75 72	
Carried forward	$269 07	$2,027 36

Brought forward	$269 07	$2,027 36
Grand Temple of Ohio	10 95	
Costello Castle, No. 136, Pennsylvania	32 00	
Wilkes-Barre Castle, No. 316, Pennsylvania	21 50	
Hanover Castle, No. 355, Pennsylvania	9 25	
Andrew J. Gregg Castle, No. 376, Pennsylvania	21 00	
Ionic Castle, No. 430, Pennsylvania	22 00	
Vinco Castle, No. 478, Pennsylvania	11 00	
Star of Akron Castle, No. 479, Pennsylvania	10 50	
Steelton Castle, No. 493, Pennsylvania	5 00	
Lebanon Veteran Castle, No. 497, Pennsylvania	10 50	
Pittsburg Castle, No. 498, Pennsylvania	31 50	
Orion Castle, No. 501, Pennsylvania	21 00	
Golden Cross Castle, No. 67, Ney Jersey	40 00	
Buffalo City Castle, No. 18, New York	25 00	
Monroe Castle, No. 20, New York	40 00	
Marion Castle, No. 17, West Virginia	30 00	
Pine Grove Castle, No. 21, West Virginia	40 00	
Algoma Castle, No. 23, West Virginia	40 00	
Mount Vernon Castle, No. 24, West Virginia.	20 00	
Glenwood Castle, No. 26, West Virginia	30 00	
Garfield Castle, No. 57, Ohio	15 00	
Ohio Valley Castle, No. 71, Ohio	40 00	
Pearl Castle, No. 76, Ohio	10 00	
Pride of Cambridge Castle, No. 77, Ohio	30 00	
Getaway Castle, No. 80, Ohio	20 00	
Windsor Castle, No. 82, Ohio	20 00	
Kansas City Castle, No. 5, Missouri	30 00	
Gogebic Castle, No. 10, Michigan	42 00	
Excelsior Castle, No. 6, Colorado	9 00	
——— Castle, No. —, Connecticut	40 00	
Huntington Castle, No. 6, Indiana	20 45	
Parker City Castle, No. 10, Indiana	20 00	
Independence Castle, No. 12, Indiana	10 00	
——— Castle, No. —, Maine	40 00	
Gypsum Castle, No. 12, Kansas	22 50	
Protective Castle, No. 18, Kentucky	30 00	
Cannonsburg Castle, No. 20, Kentucky	30 00	
Triplett Castle, No. 24, Kentucky	35 00	
Riverside Castle, No. 25, Kentucky	20 00	
Russell Castle, No. 28, Kentucky	10 00	
Beattyville Castle, No. 30, Kentucky	40 00	
Carried forward	$1,274 22	$2,027 36

Brought forward	$1,274 22	$2,027 36
Cumberland Valley Castle, No. 31, Kentucky	40 00	
Fidelity Castle, No. 7, District of Columbia	15 00	
——— Castle, No. —, California	40 00	
——— Castle, No. —, California	40 00	
Cream City Castle, No. 2, Wisconsin	80 00	
Appleton Castle, No. 7, Wisconsin	33 30	
Richmond Castle, No. 4, Virginia	39 50	
Tacoma Castle, No. 2, Washington	34 50	
Seattle Castle, No. 3, Washington	44 60	
Einigkeit Castle, No. 2, Texas	39 40	
Belt Valley Castle, No. 1, Montana	32 90	
Mountain Valley Temple, No. 4, Pennsylvania	4 00	
Star of Liberty Temple, No. 62, Pennsylvania	11 25	
Flower of the Forest Temple, No. 63, Pa.	9 00	
Olive Branch Temple, No. 87, Pennsylvania	5 00	
Pride of Lehigh Temple, No. 89, Pennsylvania	15 00	
White Cross Temple, No. 11, New Jersey	5 00	
Leod Temple, No. 15, New Jersey	5 00	
Pride of Egg Harbor Temple, No. 16, N. J.	20 00	
Cairo Temple, No. 17, Ohio	5 00	
Bellaire City Temple, No. 25, Ohio	11 25	
——— Temple, No. —, Ohio	15 00	
——— Temple, No. —, Ohio	15 00	
——— Temple, No. 2, California	15 00	
Martha Washington Temple, No. 1, Wash'n	15 00	
Queen City Temple, No. 1, New York	6 00	
Mizpah Temple, No. 4, New York	11 25	
Bushwick Temple, No. 5, New York	11 25	
Huntington Temple, No. 8, Indiana	9 50	
Golden Temple, No. 1, Wisconsin	10 00	
Hope Temple, No. 2, Wisconsin	6 25	
Augusta Temple, No. 4, Wisconsin	7 00	
Red Cross Temple, No. 2, Nebraska	12 80	
Alhambra Temple, No. 2, Maryland	5 00	
Mars Temple, No. 3, Maryland	15 00	
Chicago Temple, No. 1, Illinois	11 25	
		$1,969 22
		$3,996 58
Furniture, Safes, etc		500 00
		$4,496 58

Brought forward		$4,496 58

LIABILITIES.

Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	$350 25	
Grand Castle of Connecticut (overpaid)	2 50	
Key of the Gulf Castle, No. 2, Florida (overpaid)	2 50	
Supreme Master of Records, balance of salary	700 00	
		$1,055 25
Balance in excess of liabilities		$3,441 33

SUMMARY OF THE REPORTS.

GRAND CASTLES

Number of Grand Castles	17
Receipts of Grand Castles	$30,124 66
Expenditures	31,858 74
Amount on hand and invested	3,028 18

SUBORDINATE CASTLES.

Number of Castles, December 31, 1894:		
Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	774	
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	30	
		804
Instituted during the year 1895:		
Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	51	
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	2	
Reorganized	2	
		55
		859
Number of Charters surrendered:		
Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	28	
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	3	
		31
Number of Castles December 31, 1895		828
Number of members December 31, 1894:		
Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	56,956	
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	1,579	
		58,535

Brought forward			58,535
	Under jurisdiction of		
	Grand Castles.	Supreme Castle.	
Number of initiations during 1895	8,079	609	
Number admitted by card	333	19	
Number reinstated	863	134	
	9,275	762	10,037
			68,572

	Under jurisdiction of		
	Grand Castles.	Supreme Castle.	
Number withdrawn	319	16	
Number suspended	8,078	368	
Number deceased	452	17	
Number expelled	49	8	
Number resigned	39	2	
	8,937	411	9,348
Membership December 31, 1895			59,224
Increase during the year			689

	Under jurisdiction of		
	Grand Castles.	Supreme Castle.	Totals.
Number of Past Supreme Chiefs	18		18
Number of Past Grand Chiefs	176	8	184
Number of Past Chiefs	12,567	329	12,896
Number of members Crusaders' Degree	44,164	1,546	45.710
Number of members Knights' Degree	244	17	261
Number of members Pilgrims' Degree	125	30	155
Total	57,294	1,930	59,224

Amount of receipts of Subordinate Castles:

Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	$463,841 11
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	12,921 54
Total	$476,765 65

Amount paid for relief:

	Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles.	Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle.
Amount paid to sick brothers	$134,269 24	$2,940 75
Amount paid for burial of the dead	37,168 03	635 00
Amount of donations	5,315 01	540 69
	$176,752 28	$4,116 44
		176,752 28
Total amount paid for relief		$180,868 72

Amount expended, including investments:

Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	$450,928 24
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	12,212 32
Total	$463,140 56

Amount on hand and invested:

Under jurisdiction of Grand Castles	$827,925 81
Under jurisdiction of Supreme Castle	9,018 11
Total	$836,943 92
Increase	68,255 96

During the year the success of the Temple Degree has been gratifying. There has been an increase of 59 Temples and 3,483 members, making a total of 162 Temples and 8,396 members. They have expended, for the relief of companions, $3,895.40, and have on hand and invested $25,356.62.

Appended are tables giving the statistics in detail contained in the reports of the various Grand Castles and Temples, Subordinate Castles and Temples under the immediate jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle.

This report will show that the expenses during the past year has exceeded the income over $2,400; and, with a desire to help the Supreme Castle to live within its income, I would recommend that the salary of the Supreme Master of Records be fixed at $900 per annum.

I again return my thanks to the officers and members of the Supreme Castle for courtesies received and favors shown me during the past year.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

WM. CULBERTSON,

Supreme Master of Records.

Abstract of Annual Reports of Grand Castles for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Grand Castles.	Date of Institution.	Subordinate Castles.				Degrees of Membership.							Financial Condition of Grand Castles.			
		Castles Dec. 31, 1894.	Instituted and Reinstated.	Forfeiting Charter.	Castles Dec. 31, 1895.	Past Supreme Chiefs.	Past Grand Chiefs.	Past Chiefs.	Crusaders' Degree.	Knights' Degree.	Pilgrims' Degree.	Total Membership.	Balance on Hand at Previous Report.	Receipts.	Expenditures.	Balance on Hand and Invested.
Maryland	January 29, 1875	24	.....	1	23	7	14	390	734	3	7	1,155	$20 00	$684 20	$621 55	$82 65
Pennsylvania	April 27, 1876	480	23	15	488	6	20	8,129	30,321	103	11	38,581	1,579 91	17,736 81	18,952 57	353 65
Massachusetts	July 29, 1881	12	1	.....	13	2	8	196	643	3	2	854	.....	927 10	842 01	85 09
Delaware	January 12, 1884	21	.....	1	20	1	15	399	1,184	6	5	1,610	157 05	801 10	812 73	155 42
New Jersey	July 16, 1884	66	1	2	65	1	18	1,209	3,931	32	33	5,194	397 13	1,961 00	2,336 81	24 32
New York	November 6, 1886	12	.....	1	11	.....	14	89	232	1	1	337	.....	198 40	125 35	72 95
West Virginia	March 19, 1887	18	5	2	21	.....	6	338	938	11	11	1,304	169 14	956 75	936 75	189 14
District of Columbia	April 23, 1887	6	.....	....	6	.....	6	95	204	3	3	311	74 99	199 35	156 85	93 49
Ohio	August 30, 1887	57	13	1	69	.....	11	931	3,027	55	34	4,058	1,383 63	3,691 93	3,939 53	1,036 41
Connecticut	February 1, 1889	9	1	.....	10	1	10	141	700	5	3	860	254 86	688 54	731 93	211 47
Kentucky	February 11, 1889	20	4	.....	24	.....	6	124	392	.....	.....	522	.....	578 83	578 83	.....
Kansas	February 21, 1889	5	.....	2	3	.....	3	44	61	1	.....	109	85 10	217 35	232 20	70 25
California	March 2, 1889	9	.....	.....	9	.....	10	82	353	2	6	453	292 75	415 03	584 75	123 23
Michigan	May 18, 1889	5	1	.....	6	.....	8	66	230	2	.....	306	.....	249 15	228 08	21 07
Colorado	April 15, 1890	9	.....	2	7	.....	10	105	427	7	3	552	221 10	486 54	366 13	141 51
Indiana	April 30, 1891	10	1	.....	11	.....	8	139	406	5	6	584	178 70	353 25	351 05	180 90
Maine	May 5, 1892	5	1	1	5	.....	9	79	411	5	.....	504	185 50	272 95	242 82	215 63
		768	51	28	791	18	156	12,567	44,164	244	125	57,294	$4,762 26	$30,121 66	$31,858 74	$3,028 18

Abstract of Annual Reports of Grand Castles for the year ending December 31, 1895, showing Strength and Financial Condition of Subordinate Castles under their Jurisdiction.

Grand Castles.	Members, December 31, 1894.	Admissions.				Deductions.						Members, December 31, 1895.	Balance on hand and invested December 31, 1894.	Total Receipts.	Paid for Relief.				Total Expenditures.	On hand and invested, December 31, 1895.
		Initiated.	Admission by Card.	Reinstated.	Total Admissions.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Expelled.	Resigned.	Total Deductions.				Sick Benefits.	Burial of Dead.	Donations.	Total Relief.		
Maryland	1,236	112	14	20	146	6	240	10	...	1	257	1,155	$7,990 58	$9,607 55	$2,929 23	$461 00	$120 58	$[illegible],510 81	$8,787 99	$8,165 56
Pennsylvania	38,890	4,351	209	518	5,078	161	4,856	323	20	27	5,387	38,581	607,895 09	307 847 30	97,432 40	28,287 15	3,678 85	129,398 40	310,465 12	653,890 27
Massachusetts	803	167	18	6	191	34	96	7	...	3	140	854	2,682 54	5,700 59	1,416 13	.....	.....	1,416 13	5,569 74	2,829 49
Delaware	1,673	146	5	46	197	7	244	8	1	...	260	1,610	20,553 14	11,767 16	4,140 80	1,040 28	129 20	5,310 28	11,386 84	19,983 97
New Jersey	5,144	563	32	61	656	45	824	34	5	...	906	5,194	59,566 58	47,883 86	13,837 47	3,854 20	571 83	18,263 50	46,156 71	68,037 94
New York	407	47	12	4	63	13	112	4	1	3	133	337	5,051 09	1,957 18	253 00	150 00	12 00	415 00	1,802 18	4,431 86
West Virginia	1,137	264	5	6	275	4	96	5	3	...	108	1,304	.....	8,622 58	1,752 75	303 00	137 30	2,193 05	7,863 79	8,731 33
Dist. of Columbia	306	57	.....	13	70	3	59	3	...	..	65	311	1,641 59	2,493 02	396 50	215 00	14 00	625 50	2,542 99	1,765 34
Ohio	3,305	1,341	13	90	1,444	30	617	24	16	4	691	4,058	29,432 00	41,339 27	4,652 53	1,250 00	255 25	6,157 78	28,908 43	28,812 57
Connecticut	827	172	.....	1	173	7	120	13	...	...	140	860	5,104 76	5,971 42	1,883 65	700 00	61 00	2,644 65	5,952 63	4,900 55
Kentucky	327	245	5	46	296	3	98	.....	...	...	101	522	3,169 83	2,194 32	566 00	70 00	.....	636 00	1,755 41	3,710 57
Kansas	173	8	2	10	20	.....	84	.....	...	...	84	109	1,872 35	209 48	44 00	.....	.....	44 00	195 81	.....
California	443	160	1	8	169	5	148	5	1	...	159	453	4,763 39	4,361 16	1,109 50	200 00	147 50	1,457 00	4,829 28	4,242 96
Michigan	308	21	.....	15	36	1	89	7	1	...	98	306	.....	2,122 70	606 53	412 40	30 00	1,048 93	2,337 56	3,007 72
Colorado	473	199	13	9	221	2	133	6	...	1	142	552	5,236 30	5,885 33	1,912 50	175 00	.....	2,087 50	5,554 61	7,301 15
Indiana	576	136	4	10	150	.....	140	1	1	...	142	584	4,319 76	3,173 60	397 25	.....	121 50	518 75	3,332 78	5,279 62
Maine	538	90	.....	.....	90	.....	122	2	...	...	124	504	2,598 25	2,613 59	939 00	50 00	36 00	1,025 00	3,516 37	2,804 91
	56,956	8,079	333	863	9,275	319	8,078	452	49	39	8,937	57,294	$761,[illegible]77 25	$463,811 [illegible]1	$134,269 24	$37,168 03	$5,315 01	$176,752 28	$450,928 24	$827,925 81

Abstract of Reports of Subordinate Castles under Jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle, showing their Membership December 31, 1895.

Name.	Number.	Location.	Date of Institution.	Members, December 31, 1894.	Admissions.				Deductions.						Members, December 31, 1895.	Degrees of Membership.			
					Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total Admissions.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Resigned.	Expelled.	Total Deductions.		Past Chiefs.	Crusaders' Degree.	Knights' Degree.	Pilgrims' Degree.
Lincoln	1	Oskaloosa, Iowa	April 24, 1885	24						9				9	15	3	12		
Evans	2	Evans, Iowa	May 18, 1895		32			32				1		1	31	2	29		
Cœur-de-Lion	1	Carthage, Missouri	May 10, 1886	10						1				1	9	9			
Joplin	2	Joplin, Missouri	November 15, 1886	26	18	2	5	25			1		1	2	49	11	38		
Red Cross	4	Carterville, Missouri	March 30, 1888		4		19	23							23	10	13		
Mozart	7	St. Louis, Missouri	February 2, 1892	24	2		1	3		3				3	24	12	12		
Geierstein	8	St. Joseph, Missouri	July 25, 1892	17	23		1	24							41	14	25		3
Ivanhoe	1	Augusta, Georgia	May 11, 1885	9							1			1	8	5	3		
Georgia	11	Savannah, Georgia	May 6, 1891	52	4	12	4	20	1	10	1			12	60	13	47		
*Pioneer	1	Farmer City, Illinois	September 18, 1886	24						24				24					
*Clermont	3	Bellefflower, Illinois	February 5, 1889	24						24				24					
Crusaders	5	Chicago, Illinois	August 26, 1889	59	11		1	12	1	7			1	9	62	10	52		
Chicago	6	Chicago, Illinois	May 8, 1890	40	24			24		14				14	50	5	39	3	3
Schiller (German)	7	Chicago, Illinois	September 4, 1890	13	5			5		1				1	17	2	14	1	
Ivanhoe	1	Rochester, New Hampshire	December 16, 1887				47	47							47		47		
Cœur-de-Lion	2	Dover, New Hampshire	February 18, 1888	185	1			1	1	9	4			14	172	20	152		
Oak	4	Portsmouth, New Hampshire	February 24, 1892	167	22			22	1	11				12	177	14	155	6	2
Juneau	1	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	September 22, 1888	99	6			6	1	31	1		1	37	68	12	55		1
Cream City	2	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	April 28, 1893	27	21		1	22		5				5	39	5	33	1	
Kilbourn	3	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	March 20, 1889	74	13		5	18		19	1			20	72	12	60		
Phœnix	4	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	October 25, 1890	87	14	2	1	17		11				11	43	9	31	1	2
Liberty	5	Tomah, Wisconsin	December 30, 1893	42	2			2		22				22	22	8	14		
Concordia	1	Wilmington, North Carolina	October 23, 1888	72	26		1	27		16	1		2	19	80	12	65		3
Stonewall Jackson	2	Wilmington, North Carolina	May 2, 1892	73	10	1	3	14	1	16	2			19	68	14	54		
Red Cross	4	Omaha, Nebraska	May 17, 1889	42	9			9	3	19				22	29	6	23		
Elite	5	Lincoln, Nebraska	May 17, 1890	26	7			7	1					1	32	7	24		1
Morriston	2	Pulaski City, Virginia	February 17, 1892	17	2			2		4				4	15	2	13		
Virginia	3	Portsmouth, Virginia	December 10, 1894		99			99							99	9	89	1	

Abstract of Reports of Subordinate Castles under Jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle, showing their Membership, December 31, 1895—Continued.

Name.	Number.	Location.	Date of Institution.	Members, December 31, 1894.	Admissions.				Deductions.						Members, December 31, 1895.	Degrees of Membership.			
					Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total Admissions.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Resigned.	Expelled.	Total Deductions.		Past Chiefs.	Crusaders' Degree.	Knights' Degree.	Pilgrims' Degree.
*Richmond	4	Richmond, Virginia	January 15, 1890	51						51				51					
Champion	5	Alexandria, Virginia	May 1, 1890	12			6	6		3				3	15	5	10		
Roanoke	6	Roanoke, Virginia	May 17, 1890	28	120		7	127					2	2	153	25	128		
Norman	1	Providence, Rhode Island	February 28, 1890	18	30		1	31		3				3	46	6	40		
Louisiana	2	New Orleans, Louisiana	March 6, 1890	44	6		1	7		9				9	42	14	27	1	
Shreveport	4	Shreveport, Louisiana	September 23, 1890	51	8	2		10		14				14	47	8	39		
Pride of Wyoming	1	Rock Springs, Wyoming	April 30, 1890	55	1			1		4				4	52	9	43		
Wyoming	2	Almy, Wyoming	April 29, 1890	32	4			4		13	5			18	18	8	10		
Key of the Gulf	2	Key West, Florida	January 13, 1891	41	10		6	16		7		1		8	49	10	36		3
Ygnacio Agramonte	3	Key West, Florida	April 13, 1891	29	35		5	40	6					6	63	11	43	1	8
Queen City	1	Huntsville, Alabama	May 19, 1891				19	19							19	3	16		
Rising Star	1	Galveston, Texas	October 15, 1894	40	40			40		5			1	6	74	13	55	2	4
				1,579	609	19	134	762	16	368	17	2	8	411	1,930	337	1,546	17	30

*Defunct.

Abstract of Reports of Subordinate Castles under Jurisdiction of Supreme Castle, showing their Financial Condition, December 31, 1895.

Name.	Number.	Location.	Balance on hand December 31, 1894.	Receipts. For Degrees.	Receipts. Admission by Card and Reinstatement.	Receipts. Dues and Fines.	Receipts. From Other Sources.	Receipts. Total.	Expenditures. Relief of Sick.	Expenditures. Burial of Dead.	Expenditures. Donations.	Expenditures. Total Relief.	Expenditures. Current Expenses.	Expenditures. Total.	On hand and invested December 31, 1895.
Lincoln	1	Oskaloosa, Iowa	$41 64										$31 64	$41 64	
Evans	2	Evans, Iowa		$26 00		$92 50	$188 54	$377 04					356 80	356 80	$20 24
Cœur de-Lion	1	Carthage, Mo	4 75			36 00		36 00					40 75	40 75	30 00
Joplin	2	Joplin, Mo	329 00	85 00	$21 00	166 00		272 00	$104 00			$104 00	246 32	350 32	650 68
Red Cross	4	Carterville, Mo.		12 00	3 00	24 70		39 70					26 65	26 65	13 05
Mozart	7	St. Louis, Mo	15 30	15 00	5 00	124 00		144 00	55 00	30 00		85 00	82 00	167 00	
Geiserstein	8	St. Joseph, Mo.	17 75	94 00	2 00	120 25	29 50	245 75	10 00			10 00	139 20	189 20	18 52
Ivanhoe	1	Augusta, Ga				13 00		13 00					13 00	13 00	
Georgia	11	Savannah, Geo	97 11	26 00	54 00	296 50		376 50	75 00	30 00	30 00	135 00	144 00	274 55	145 06
*Pioneer	1	Farmer City, Ill	222 89												
*Clermont															
Crusaders	5	Chicago, Ill	396 18	54 00	3 00	224 15	39 06	320 21	75 00		50 00	125 00	238 02	363 02	353 37
Chicago	6	Chicago, Ill	8 90	104 00		153 08		257 0					220 34	220 34	45 64
Schiller (German)	7	Chicago, Ill	153 21	12 00		62 50		74 50	8 75			8 75	70 30	79 05	148 66
*Ivanhoe	1	Rochester, N. H													
Cœur-de-Lion	2	Dover, N. H	105 61	10 00		762 00	1 00	773 00	47 00	50 00	65 00	240 00	303 80	843 80	661 19
Oak	4	Portsmouth, N. H	457 49	100 00		669 75		769 75	176 00			176 00	269 54	445 54	781 70
Juneau	1	Milwaukee, Wis	89 26	7 00		311 70	111 00	429 70	205 00			205 00	245 11	450 11	68 85
Cream City	2	Milwaukee, Wis	5 00	90 00		96 80	11 78	198 58	15 00			15 00	89 02	104 02	99 56
Kilbourn	3	Milwaukee, Wis	257 23	55 00	18 00	342 65	121 15	537 80	350 00	75 00	100 33	525 33	186 69	712 02	242 55
Phœnix	4	Milwaukee, Wis	89 02	74 00	12 00	149 50	6 80	242 30	140 00			140 00	127 14	267 14	65 18
Liberty	5	Tomah, Wis	6 76			144 61		144 61	94 61			94 61	56 76	151 37	
Concordia	1	Wilmington, N. C	553 41	72 00		651 16		723 16	190 00		115 00	305 00	383 75	688 75	587 85
Stonewall Jackson	2	Wilmington, N. C	142 44	50 00	13 00	484 84	7 40	555 24	209 39	150 00	43 86	403 25	172 40	575 65	122 03
Red Cross	4	Omaha, Neb	22 00	24 00		140 50	9 13	1,185 63	15 00			15 00	986 69	1,001 69	105 94
Elite	5	Lincoln, Neb	2 85	25 00		77 00	34 00	136 00					149 41	149 41	12 44
Morriston	2	Pulaski City, Va	70 00	15 00		98 45		113 45	45 00			45 00	33 45	78 45	105 00

Abstract of Reports of Subordinate Castles under Jurisdiction of Supreme Castle, showing their Financial Condition, Dec. 31, 1895.—Continued.

Name.	Number.	Location.	Balance on hand December 31, 1894.	Receipts. For Degrees.	Receipts. Admission by Card and Reinstatement.	Receipts. Dues and Fines.	Receipts. From Other Sources.	Receipts. Total.	Expenditures. Relief of Sick.	Expenditures. Burial of Dead.	Expenditures. Donations.	Expenditures. Total Relief.	Expenditures. Current Expenses.	Expenditures. Total.	On hand and invested December 31, 1895.
Virginia	3	Portsmouth, Va.	.....	$297 00	.....	$262 50	$.9 28	$578 78	$49 00	.....	.....	$49 00	$501 26	$550 26	$28 52
*Richmond	4	Richmond, Va.	$18 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 01	18 01	.....
Champion	5	Alexandria, Va.	3 25	.....	$31 20	64 10	.....	95 30	18 00	.....	$5 00	23 00	69 54	92 54	6 01
Roanoke	6	Roanoke, Va.	23 38	5 8 00	13 00	367 10	.....	888 10	55 00	.....	.....	55 00	633 80	688 80	252 58
Normal	1	Providence, R. I.	3 96	84 00	3 00	56 46	10 25	153 71	.....	.....	.....	.....	147 86	147 86	405 50
Louisiana	2	New Orleans, La.	307 47	6 00	3 00	319 85	500 00	828 85	47 00	25 00	.....	72 00	744 02	816 02	820 30
Shreveport	4	Shreveport, La.	144 29	25 00	5 00	227 60	42 25	299 85	55 00	.....	.....	55 00	204 60	259 60	184 54
Pride of Wyoming	1	Rock Springs, Wyo.	579 90	26 00	.....	530 00	115 70	671 70	212 00	.....	20 00	232 00	182 55	414 55	837 05
Wyoming	2	Almy, Wyo.	375 86	13 00	.....	110 00	27 50	180 50	50 00	225 00	30 00	305 00	85 62	390 62	165 74
Key of the Gulf	2	Key West, Fla.	302 11	73 00	27 00	346 70	33 90	480 60	173 00	50 00	21 00	244 00	237 00	481 00	301 71
Ygnacio Agramonte	3	Key West, Fla.	139 10	46 00	8 00	204 60	2 00	260 60	56 00	.....	.....	56 00	150 00	206 00	53 70
Queen City	1	Huntsville, Ala.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rising Star	1	Galveston, Texas	42 80	203 00	.....	354 25	57 30	614 55	21 00	.....	87 00	108 00	475 40	583 40	74 00
			$1,834 75	$2,256 00	$221 20	$8,124 80	$2,279 54	$12,921 54	$2,940 75	$635 00	$540 69	$4,116 44	$8,0 5 88	$12,212 32	$9,018 11

*Defunct.

Abstract of Reports of Temples for the year ending December 1, 1895, showing Strength and Financial Condition.

	Temples, Dec. 31, 1894.	Instituted.	Forfeited Charter.	Temples. Dec. 31, 1895.	Members, Dec. 31, 1894.	Admissions. Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total.	Deductions. Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Expelled.	Resigned.	Total.	Members, Dec. 31, 1895.	Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1894.	Receipts.	Expenditures. Relief of Sick.	Burial of Dead.	Donations.	Total Relief.	Current Expenses.	On hand and Invested Dec. 31, 1895.
Pennsylvania	51	28		79	2419	2244			2244	32	395	19	6	13	465	4198	$15,822 80	$18,453 34	$2593 95	$423 00	$83 50	$3040 45	$12,468 16	$18,767 53
Ohio	11	12		23	487	618			618	11	33	4	1		49	1056	334 61	1,745 41	70 00	40 00	12 00	122 00	909 07	1,048 95
†New Jersey	8	4		12	524	458			458	10	82	2			94	888	2,247 97	2,057 53	228 50	100 00		328 50	1,492 85	2,484 15
Maryland	1	1		2	29	40			40							69	25 37	159 13					78 71	105 79
Massachusetts	5			5	213	10			10	2	8	2			12	211	158 40	202 38					226 12	134 66
Delaware	2	3		5	75	193			193		8				8	260	313 66	1,093 66	76 00			76 00	328 61	1,002 11
New York	1	1		2	63	107			107		4				4	166		317 72					142 45	175 27
*West Virginia		6		6		186			186		2		1	1	4	182		423 47	41 25			41 25	243 92	138 30
District of Columbia	3			3	105	65			65	5	21				26	144	230 92	939 65	85 00		5 00	90 00	723 03	357 54
Connecticut	3			3	145	28			28	1	22	2			25	148	329 53	299 68	18 00	33 00	20 00	71 00	220 42	337 79
*Kansas	1			1	31	1			1							32	18 58	9 20					25 55	65 21
California	1			1	40	4			4			1			1	43	119 15	120 95					111 00	129 10
Colorado	3			3	155	64			64	1	25	1			27	192	33 05	494 30		7 50		7 50	369 10	150 75
*Indiana	6	1		7	303	120			120		61	1	1		63	360	197 79	541 50	14 00			14 00	503 67	221 62
Maine	2			2	122	14			14							136	41 20	291 37					263 09	69 94
Michigan		2	1	1		42			42							42		131 65					55 91	75 74
Nebraska	1	1	1	1	35	38			38		37				37	36	17 13	139 90					153 73	3 30
New Hampshire	1	1		2	73	52			52	1	8				9	116	20 44	374 12	82 00			82 00	277 81	34 75
Wisconsin	3		1	2	94	21			21	10	34		4		48	67	20 70	136 58	10 00			10 00	117 24	30 04
Texas		1		1		31			31	1	1		2		4	27		98 50			6 80	6 80	90 20	1 50
Missouri		1		1		32			32		9				9	23		70 15			5 90	5 90	24 67	29 58
	103	62	3	162	4913	4368			4368	74	750	32	15	14	885	8396	$19,931 30	$28,099 59	$3158 70	$603 50	$133 20	$3895 40	$18,825 31	$25,356 62

* No report for 1894.

† Grand Temple Instituted October, 1895.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF EXCHEQUER.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In compliance with the requirements of Section 4, Article III, of the Constitution, I respectfully submit my annual report as Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

I exceedingly regret that the receipts have been so much less than the expenditures as to compel the sale of our investments, and sincerely hope that the wise legislation of the Supreme Castle at this session will enable us not only to meet all liabilities as they become due, but to provide sufficient revenue to enable us to enlarge our field of usefulness.

The receipts from Supreme Master of Records Culbertson, amounting to $10,303.94, together with the balance of $1,626.52 on hand at last annual report, aggregate a total of $11,930.46, and the expenditures to $10,791.30, leaving a balance in my hands of $1,139.16.

Following are the receipts and expenditures in detail:

Dr.			Cr.			
1895.			1895.			
	To balance	$1,626 52	Nov.	9.	By Cash, Order 1268,	$15 00
Oct. 4.	" Cash	400 00	"	9.	" " 1269,	15 00
Dec. 14.	" "	440 55	"	9.	" " 1270,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1271,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1272,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1273,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1274,	30 00
			"	9.	" " 1275,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1276,	15 00
			"	9.	" " 1281,	2 66
			"	9.	" " 1282,	31 70
			"	9.	" " 1283,	2 16
			"	9.	" " 1284,	68 75
			"	9.	" " 1285,	21 00
			"	9.	" " 1286,	44 00
			"	9.	" " 1287,	5 00
			"	9.	" " 1288,	27 50
			"	9.	" " 1289,	10 00
			"	9.	" " 1290,	57 95
			"	9.	" " 1291,	13 60
			"	9.	" " 1292,	32 50
	Carried forward	$2,467 07			Carried forward	$466 82

Dr.

1895.		
	Brought forward...	$2,467 07
Jan. 9.	To Cash.....	$530 34
" 15.	" "	1,018 75
" 16.	" "	8 73
" 24.	" "	460 02
Feb. 13.	" "	500 00
	Carried forward.....	$4,984 91

Cr.

1895.			
	Brought forward.. ..		$466 82
Nov. 9.	By Cash, Order	1293,	2 00
" 9.	" "	1294,	50 15
" 9.	" "	1295,	6 80
" 9.	" "	1296,	564 80
" 9.	" "	1297,	15 00
" 9.	" "	1298,	100 00
" 12.	" "	1277,	153 67
" 12.	" "	1278,	406 54
Dec. 14.	" "	1279,	30 00
" 14.	" "	1280,	10 55
" 17.	" "	1300,	22 50
" 17.	" "	1301,	15 00
" 17.	" "	1302,	15 00
" 18.	" "	1303,	20 30
" 23.	" "	1299,	640 59
1896.			
Jan. 4.	" "	1305,	53 00
" 7.	" "	1306,	57 00
" 9.	" "	1309,	23 34
" 11.	" "	1310,	8 00
" 13.	" "	1316,	12 13
" 16.	" "	1311,	75 75
" 16.	" "	1317,	50 00
" 16.	" "	1318,	176 78
" 23.	" "	1304,	345 71
" 23.	" "	1307,	26 50
" 23.	" "	1330,	10 00
" 25.	" "	1314,	89 02
" 25.	" "	1319,	100 00
" 25.	" "	1312,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1313,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1322,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1323,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1324,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1325,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1326,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1327,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1329,	15 00
Feb. 5.	" "	1331,	100 00
" 13.	" "	1333	7 77
	Carried forward.....		$3,789 72

Dr.

1896.		
	Brought forward....	$4,984 91
March 11.	To Cash.....	616 50
April 9.	" "	800 00
May 6.	" "	1,098 59
	Carried forward.....	$7,500 00

Cr.

1896.			
		Brought forward..	$3,789 72
Feb.	14.	By Cash, Order	1328, 155 72
"	15.	" "	1320, 62 50
"	15.	" "	1321, 41 66
Mar.	11.	" "	1332, 16 50
"	12.	" "	1334, 211 79
"	12.	" "	1345, 40 75
"	13.	" "	1341, 15 00
"	13.	" "	1342, 15 00
"	13.	" "	1343, 15 00
"	14.	" "	1335, 16 50
"	14.	" "	1339, 44 55
"	14.	" "	1340, 15 00
"	14.	" "	1346, 68 00
"	14.	" "	1348, 200 00
"	19.	" "	1347, 25 00
"	20.	" "	1315, 5 50
"	21.	" "	1344, 8 00
"	23.	" "	1338, 43 00
"	28.	" "	1349, 100 00
Apr.	10.	" "	1337, 339 17
"	18.	" "	1358, 16 37
"	29.	" "	1351, 15 00
"	29.	" "	1352, 30 00
"	29.	" "	1353, 15 00
"	29.	" "	1354, 15 00
"	29.	" "	1362, 15 00
May	6.	" "	1308, 15 00
"	6.	" "	1359, 83 59
"	7.	" "	1357, 7 50
"	8.	" "	1350, 329 13
"	9.	" "	1336, 41 66
"	9.	" "	1355, 62 50
"	9.	" "	1356, 41 66
"	9.	" "	1361, 41 66
"	11.	" "	1363, 100 00
"	11.	" "	1364, 5 00
"	11.	" "	1365, 200 00
"	11.	" "	1366, 5 00
"	11.	" "	1367, 15 00
"	11.	" "	1368, 15 00
		Carried forward.....	$6,297 43

Dr.

1896.		
	Brought forward....	$7,500 00
June 13.	To Cash.....	1,075 09
July 23.	" "	840 00
Sept. 23.	" "	25 00
" 24.	" "	669 54
	Carried forward...	$10,109 63

Cr.

1896.			
	Brought forward..		$6,297 43
May 11.	By Cash, Order	1369,	$15 00
" 12.	" "	1360,	349 57
June 9.	" "	1376,	200 00
" 9.	" "	1381,	30 00
" 13.	" "	1371,	33 75
" 13.	" "	1374,	277 87
" 13.	" "	1375,	15 00
" 13.	" "	1377,	15 00
" 13.	" "	1380,	15 00
" 18.	" "	1372,	41 66
" 18.	" "	1378,	41 66
" 18.	" "	1382,	100 00
" 19.	" "	1373,	10 15
" 19.	" "	1379,	201 80
" 20.	" "	1370,	24 16
July 3.	" "	1384,	25 00
" 15.	" "	1385,	100 00
" 23.	" "	1386,	21 75
" 24.	" "	1383,	62 50
" 24.	" "	1387,	262 03
" 24.	" "	1388,	41 66
" 24.	" "	1389,	15 00
" 24.	" "	1391,	25 00
" 24.	" "	1392,	15 00
Aug. 5.	" "	1390,	251 87
Sept. 24.	" "	1397,	178 75
" 24.	" "	1398,	7 00
" 24.	" "	1399,	15 67
" 24.	" "	1400,	242 00
" 24.	" "	1401,	88 44
" 24.	" "	1403,	11 00
" 24.	" "	1409,	18 60
" 25.	" "	1393,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1394,	41 66
" 25.	" "	1396,	13 00
" 25.	" "	1402,	15 00
" 25.	" "	1404,	41 66
" 25.	" "	1405,	100 00
" 25.	" "	1406,	100 00
" 25.	" "	1407,	62 50
	Carried forward.....		$9,438 14

Dr.		Cr.	
1886.		1896.	
Brought forward...	$10,109 63	Brought forward.....	$9,438 14
Sept. 26. To Cash.....	5 54	Sept. 26. By Cash, Order	1395, 310 31
" 26. " Cash.....	1,815 29	" 26. " "	1411, 160 00
		" 26. " "	1412, 382 85
		" 26. " "	1413, 500 00
		Balance.....	1,139 16
	$11,930 46		$11,930 46

Fraternally submitted in F. V. and H.,

TIMOTHY McCARTHY,

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND MILEAGE.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Committee on Finance and Mileage submit herewith a report of their work for the past year.

You will find attached hereto a detailed statement of all receipts and expenditures as shown by the books of the Supreme Master of Records and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer. The books have been audited quarterly, and your Committee desire to compliment the respective officers on their efficient work in handling the accounts. Courtesy has been extended to the Committee on all occasions.

Your Committee, however, call your attention to the condition of our finances, and ask your careful consideration. Something must be done at this session to check this retrogression of our finances. In submitting this report, with the various recommendations, we confidently anticipate your ability to so legislate that our assets for the ensuing year will be sufficient to meet all liabilities.

Balance on hand, per last report	$1,626. 52
Receipts during the year	10,303 94
	$11,930 46
Expended during the term, as per orders from Nos. 1268 to 1413, inclusive	10,791 30
Leaving a balance	$1,139 16

The following statement shows the receipts and resources from which they were derived:

From Per Capita Tax		$1,338 55
" Dispensation Fees		90 00
" Special Dispensations		2 75
" Investment and Interest		2,068 75
" Interest on Deposits		14 27
" Committee on K. G. E. Hall, amount returned for Alteration of Door		44 55
" Sale of Supplies, viz.:		
Badges and Jewels	$4,730 61	
Charter Plates	200 00	
Carried forward	$4,930 61	$3,558 87

Brought forward	$4,930 61	$3,558 87
Dispensation Plates	84 00	
Rituals	1,114 00	
Funeral Ceremonies	30 50	
Ode Cards	166 41	
Music Ode Books	23 70	
Question Books	170 00	
Withdrawal Cards	89 25	
Dismissal Certificates	31 00	
District Grand Chiefs' Commissions	36 60	
Certificates of Membership	3 50	
Drill Manuals	65 50	
		6,745 07
		$10,303 94

The following statement shows the number of orders drawn, in whose favor, the amount of each, and the respective items to which they are charged:

1268. Benton Patterson, Premium, Organizing No. 490, Pa.	$15 00
1269. William Stahl, Premium, Organizing No. 3, Ohio	15 00
1270. S. J. Southard, Premium, Organizing No. 62, Ohio	15 00
1271. Andrew Herring, Premium, Organizing No. 65, Ohio.	15 00
1272. O. E. Shannon, Premium, Organizing No. 71, Ohio	15 00
1273. W. T. Morris, Premium, Organizing No. 15, W. Va.	15 00
1274. G. W. Tooley, Premium, Organizing Nos. 20 and 21, W. Va.	30 00
1275. J. M. Clay, Premium, Organizing No. 22, W. Va.	15 00
1276. John S. Ellis, Premium, Organizing No. 25, Ky.	15 00
1277. Jacob H. Aull (Supreme Chief) Postage	153 67
1278. Jacob H. Aull (Supreme Chief), Traveling Expenses.	406 54
1279. Lena P. Thompson, Carriage Hire, Parade at Washington, D. C.	30 00
1280. Supreme Master of Records, Expressage on Trunk and Packages to and from Washington, and Incidental expenses	10 55
1281. Committee on Laws, Postage	2 66
1282. Committee on Finance and Mileage, Traveling Expenses during the year	31 70
1283. Committee on Printing, Postage	2 16
1284. Supreme Castle Officers, Expenses at Washington, D. C.	68 75
Carried forward	$856 03

	Brought forward	$856 03
1285.	Committee on Law, Expenses	21 00
1286.	Committee on Finance and Mileage, Expenses	44 00
1287.	Committee on Appeals and Grievances, Expenses	5 00
1288.	Committee on Printing, Expenses	27 50
1289.	Committee on Ritual, Military Branch, Mileage	10 00
1290.	Supreme Castle Officers, Mileage	57 95
1291.	Committee on Law, Mileage	13 60
1292.	Committee on Finance, Mileage	32 50
1293.	Committee on Appeals and Grievances, Mileage	2 00
1294.	Committee on Printing, Mileage	50 15
1295.	Committee on Ritual, Military Branch, Mileage	6 80
1296.	Representatives, Mileage	564 80
1297.	Military Branch, Expenses of Parade	15 00
1298.	Supreme Chief, A. C. Lyttle, Traveling Expenses	100 00
1299.	Timothy McCarthy, Printing Reports and Proceedings	640 59
1300.	Dern & Pitcairn, Printing Letter Heads and Envelopes	22 50
1301.	F. M. Griffin, Premium, Organizing No. 26, Ky	15 00
1302.	L. P. Creekbaum, Premium, Organizing No. 73, Ohio.	15 00
1303.	J. D. Barnes, Paper sent to D. S. Chiefs for Organizing purposes	20 30
1304.	Thos. Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	345 71
1305.	Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, Expenses of D. S. C. Powell to Altoona, also S. K. of Ex. to Altoona	53 00
1306.	Jos. S. Shoemaker, 2 Desks	57 00
1307.	Heywood Bros. & Co., Furniture	26 50
1308.	Louis E. Stilz & Bro., Curtains for Office	15 00
1309.	Photo-Chromotype Engraving Co., Engraving and Printing Photographs	23 34
1310.	J. W. Boud, Printing Circulars	8 00
1311.	E. D. Senseman, Printing, Pamphlets, Letter Heads and Envelopes	75 75
1312.	Wm. G. McCroskey, Premium, Organizing No. 494, Pa.	15 00
1313.	L. D. Probst, Premium, Organizing No. 11, Indiana	15 00
1314.	Supreme Master of Records, Postage, Expressage Rubber Stamps and Incidental Expenses	89 02
1315.	William O. Brown, Supreme Vice Chief, Expenses attending meetings of the Officers of the Supreme Castle	5 50
1316.	Supreme Chief, Postage and Expressage	12 13
1317.	John B. Powell, Expenses	50 00
	Carried forward	$3,310 67

	Brought forward	$3,310 67
1318.	John and Jas. Dobson, Carpet and Laying	176 78
1319.	James D. Thompson, Rent of Office	100 00
1320.	J. D. Barnes, Three Months Subscription to the K. G. E.	62 50
1321.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1322.	H. W. Pinkerton, Premium, Organizing No. 492, Pa.	15 00
1323.	C. D. Strauss, Premium, Organizing No. 491, Pa.	15 00
1324.	James M. Gibbs, Premium, Organizing No. 493, Pa.	15 00
1325.	John C. Rohrer, Premium, Organizing No. 495, Pa.	15 00
1326.	E. H. Switzer, Premium, Organizing No. 496, Pa.	15 00
1327.	Mahlon R. Fox, Premium, Organizing No. 497, Pa.	15 00
1328.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	155 72
1329.	James Trebilcock, Premium, Organizing No. 10, Mich.	15 00
1330.	M. Cavanaugh, Type-writing 3 Copies of J. E. Burbage's Ritual of Military Branch	10 00
1331.	Supreme Chief, Travelling Expenses	100 00
1332.	Supreme Master of Records, Removing Safes	16 50
1333.	A. F. Martin, Clock	7 77
1334.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	211 79
1335.	John W. Kennedy & Co., Printing Pamphlets	16 50
1336.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1337.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	339 17
1338.	Francis D. Kramer, Repairing Furniture and Re-upholstering	43 00
1339.	D. O. Boose, Making Frame and Altering Door	44 55
1340.	C. H. Webster, Premium, Organizing No. 499, Pa.	15 00
1341.	Thos. N. Goodman, Premium, Organizing No. 12, Ind.	15 00
1342.	Wm. T. Mead, Premium, Organizing No. 24, W. Va.	15 00
1343.	John S. Ellis, Premium, Organizing No. 29, Ky.	15 00
1344.	Chas. J. Field, Two Window Ventilators	8 00
1345.	E. D. Senseman, Printing Letter Heads, Envelopes, Statements, etc.	40 75
1346.	James Young, Printing Rituals and Constitutions	68 00
1347.	W. H. Bean, Premium, Organizing No. 2, Ill.	25 00
1348.	John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	200 00
1349.	Supreme Chief, Travelling Expenses	100 00
1350.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	329 13
1351.	Benton Patterson, Premium, Organizing No. 498, Pa.	15 00
1352.	Geo. F. Roehrig, M. D., Premium, Organizing Nos. 4 and 6, Colorado	30 00
1353.	W. W. Hall, Premium, Organizing No. 30, Ky.	15 00
	Carried forward	$5,674 15

	Brought forward	$5,674 15
1354.	J. E. Toone, Premium, Organizing No. 7, D. of C.	15 00
1355.	J. D. Barnes, Three months subscription to the "K. G. E."	62 50
1356.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1357.	Chas. B. Edwards & Co., Umbrella Stand and Spittoons for Office	7 50
1358.	Supreme Chief, Postage	16 37
1359.	Supreme Master of Records, Postage, Expressage and Incidentals	83 59
1360.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	349 57
1361.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1362.	John I. Kleffman, Premium, Organizing No. 500, Pa.	15 00
1363.	Timothy McCarthy, six months salary as S. K. of E.	100 00
1364.	Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, Rent of Safe in Vault.	5 00
1365.	John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses, March and April	200 00
1366.	Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, Postage	5 00
1367.	Robt. P. Fitzgerald, Premium, Organizing No. 376, Pa.	15 00
1368.	Wm. Thomas Louch, Premium, Organizing No. 77, Ohio	15 00
1369.	Carl G. Fulmer, Premium, Organizing No. 78. Ohio	15 00
1370.	Hallowell & West, Binding Rituals for Temples	24 16
1371.	E. D. Senseman, Printing Letter Heads, Envelopes and Temple Laws	33 75
1372.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1373.	Walker & Kepler, Door Mats	10 15
1374.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	277 87
1375.	Benton Patterson, Premium, Organizing No. 303, Pa.	15 00
1376.	Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses	200 00
1377.	S. E. Layman, Premium, Organizing No. 448, Pa.	15 00
1378.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1379.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	201 80
1380.	H. J. Phillips, Premium, Organizing No. 316, Pa.	15 00
1381.	Supreme Chief, Expenses attending Institution of Castle No. 7, Wis.	30 00
1382.	John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1383.	J. D. Barnes, Three Months Subscription to the "K. G. E."	62 50
1384.	F. S. Krieger, Premium, Organizing No. 6, Wis.	25 00
1385.	John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1386.	E. D. Senseman, Printing Circulars and Bill Heads	21 75
	Carried forward	$7,877 30

	Brought forward	$7,877 50
1387.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	262 03
1388.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1389.	H. H. Erdman, Premium, Organizing No. 134, Pa	15 00
1390.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	251 87
1391.	R. W. Henry, Premium, Organizing No. 1, Montana	25 00
1392.	Henry W. Harner, Premium, Organizing No. 28, Ky	15 00
1393.	J. P. S. Fenstenmacher, Premium, Organizing No. 501 Pa.	15 00
1394.	Committee on Hall, Rent of Office	41 66
1395.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels	310 31
1396.	Swain & Tate Co., Printing Circulars	13 00
1397.	E. D. Senseman, Printing Pamphlets, Letter Heads and Question Books	178 75
1398.	J. W. Boud, Printing Circulars	7 00
1399.	Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle, Postage	15 67
1400.	Supreme Chief, Travelling Expenses	242 00
1401.	Supreme Master of Records, Postage, Expressage, Messenger, Rent of Post-office Box, Expenses of Finance Committee and Window Awnings for Office	88 44
1402.	L. P. Creekbaum, Premium, Organizing No. 26, W. Va.	15 00
1403.	Supreme Master of Records, Expenses of Agent of Trunk Line Association	11 00
1404.	Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66
1405.	Timothy McCarthy, Six Months Salary of S. K. of E.	100 00
1406.	John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1407.	J. D. Barnes, Three Months Subscription to "Knights of the Golden Eagle,"	62 50
1409.	Supreme Master of Records, Postage, Expressage and Expenses of Finance Committee	18 60
1411.	John B. Powell, Expenses and Salary	160 00
1412.	Quartermaster General, amount expended in excess of receipts	382 85
1413.	W. Culbertson, S. M. of R., Salary	500 00
		$10,791 30

ITEM I.

TRAVELING EXPENSES OF SUPREME CHIEF AND INSTITUTING CASTLES UNDER THE IMMEDIATE JURISDICTION OF THE SUPREME CASTLE.

Appropriation			$1,000 00
Order.			
1298.	Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses	$100 00	
1331.	Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses	100 00	
	Carried forward	$200 00	$1,000 00

Brought forward.....	$200 00	$1,000 00
1349. Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses.....	100 00	
1376. Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses.....	200 00	
1381. Supreme Chief, Expenses Instituting Castle No. 7, of Wisconsin.....	30 00	
1400. Supreme Chief, Traveling Expenses.....	242 00	
Balance	228 00	
	$1,000 00	$1,000 00

ITEM II.

SALARY OF SUPREME MASTER OF RECORDS.

Appropriation		$1,200 00
Order 1412. W. Culbertson, Salary.....	$500 00	
Balance	700 00	
	$1,200 00	$1,200 00

ITEM III.

SALARY OF SUPREME KEEPER OF EXCHEQUER.

Appropriation		$200 00
Order.		
1363. Timothy McCarthy, Six Months Salary...	$100 00	
1405. Timothy McCarthy, Six Months Salary...	100 00	
	$200 00	$200 00

ITEM IV.

SUPPLIES.

Appropriation		$3,000 00
Order.		
1304. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	$345 71	
1328. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	155 72	
1334. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	211 79	
1337. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	339 17	
1346. James Young, Printing Rituals.....	15 00	
1350. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	329 13	
1370. Hallowell & West, Binding Rituals for Temple	24 16	
1374. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	277 87	
1379. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	201 80	
1387. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	262 03	
1390. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	251 87	
1395. Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.	310 31	
1397. E. D. Senseman, Printing Question Books.	102 25	
Overdrawn		$176 38
	$3,176 38	$3,176 38

ITEM V.

POSTAGE AND EXPRESSAGE.

Appropriation		$300 00
Order.		
1314. Supreme Master of Records, Postage and Expressage	$41 07	
1316. Supreme Chief, Postage	12 13	
1358. Supreme Chief, Postage	16 37	
1359. Supreme Master of Records, Postage and Expressage	63 79	
1366. Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, Postage	5 00	
1399. Supreme Chief, Postage	15 67	
1401. Supreme Master of Records, Postage and Expressage	62 84	
1409. Supreme Master of Records, Postage	5 10	
Balance	78 03	
	$300 00	$300 00

ITEM VI.

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Appropriation		$1,000 00
Order.		
1299. Timothy McCarthy, Printing Reports and Proceedings	$640 59	
1300. Dern & Pitcairn, Printing Letter Heads and Envelopes	22 50	
1310. J. W. Boud, Printing Circulars	8 00	
1311. E. D. Senseman, Printing Letter Heads, Pamphlets and Envelopes	75 75	
1335. Jno. W. Kennedy & Co., Printing Pamphlets	16 50	
1345. E. D. Senseman, Printing Letter Heads, Envelopes and Statements	40 75	
1346. James Young, Printing Constitutions	53 00	
1371. E. D. Senseman, Printing Letter Heads, Envelopes and Temple Laws	33 75	
1386. E. D. Senseman, Printing Circulars and Bill Heads	21 75	
1396. Swain & Tate Co., Printing Circulars	13 00	
1397. E. D. Senseman, Printing, Pamphlets, Letter Heads and Envelopes	76 50	
1398. J. W. Boud, Printing Circulars	7 00	
Overdrawn		9 09
	$1,009 09	$1,009 09

ITEM VII.

MILEAGE.

Appropriation			$700 00
Order.			
1290. Supreme Castle Officers:			
Jacob H. Aull, S. C.	$2 00		
A. C. Lyttle, S. V. C.	12 85		
L. P. Lewis, S. H. P.	21 95		
Timothy McCarthy, S. K. of E.	6 80		
Wm. Culbertson, S. M. of R.	6 80		
Wm. O. Brown, S. S. H.	5 55		
R. W. Maccubin, S. S. G., *p. t.*	2 00		
		$57 95	
1291. Committee on Law:			
J. D. Barnes	$6 80		
E. S. Rowand	6 80		
		13 60	
1292. Committee on Finance and Mileage:			
John Dickinson	$6 80		
H. P. Reinicke	6 80		
John B. Treibler, Jr.	5 55		
Geo. J. Robertson	7 80		
Jacob H. Thompson	5 55		
		32 50	
1293. Committee on Appeals and Grievances:			
Geo. R. Cross		2 00	
1294. Committee on Printing:			
Ernst Koch	$13 20		
Geo. H. Sumner	21 95		
F. L. Trowbridge	15 00		
		50 15	
1295. Committee on Ritual of Military Branch:			
Louis E. Stilz		6 80	
1296. Representatives:			
F. A. Harris, Pennsylvania	$12 10		
Edwin B. Dow, Massachusetts	21 95		
W. Frank Taylor, Delaware	6 30		
W. C. Hunter, New Jersey	7 75		
Anson S. McNab, New York	19 65		
S. N. Hirst, West Virginia	17 65		
Carried forward	$85 40	$163 00	$700 00

Brought forward	$85 40	$163 00	$700 00
J. M. Wilson, Ohio	18 85		
Willis H. Roden, Connecticut	16 40		
Eli W. Lefeber, Kentucky	27 70		
Saml. McCall, California	166 55		
C. W. Jeffries, Colorado	91 85		
W. W. Canada, Indiana	30 60		
H. A. Weymuth, M. D., Maine	26 70		
W. A. Murphy, Kansas	69 60		
Chas. H. Gale, Michigan	31 15		
		564 80	
Overdrawn			27 80
		$727 80	$727 80

ITEM VIII.

EXPENSES OF SESSION.

Appropriation		$250 00
Order.		
1280. Supreme Master of Records, Expressage on Trunk and Packages to and from Washington, and Incidental Expenses	$10 55	
1284. Supreme Castle Officers, Expenses	68 75	
1285. Committee on Law, Expenses	21 00	
1286. Committee on Finance and Mileage, Expenses	44 00	
1287. Committee on Appeals and Grievances, Expenses	5 00	
1288. Committee on Printing, Expenses	27 50	
1289. Committee on Ritual, Military Branch Expenses	10 00	
1297. Military Branch, Expenses of Parade	15 00	
Balance	48 20	
	$250 00	$250 00

ITEM IX.

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Appropriation		$200 00
Order.		
1303. J. D. Barnes, Copies of the "Knights of the Golden Eagle," for Organizing Purposes	$20 30	
1309. Photo-Chromotype Engraving Co., Engraving and Printing Photographs	23 34	
Carried forward	$43 64	$200 00

Brought forward	$43 64	$200 00
1314. Supreme Master of Records, Rubber Stamps for Supreme Chief, Rent of P. O. Box, Messenger Service, Expenses of Committee on Finance and Mileage, Cleaning Office, and Ice	36 10	
1315. W. O. Brown, S. V. C., Expenses Attending Meeting of the Officers of the Supreme Castle	5 50	
1330. M. Cavanaugh, Type Writing 3 Copies of J. E. Burbage's Ritual of Military Branch	10 00	
1332. Supreme Master of Records, Removing Safes to New Office	16 50	
1359. Supreme Master of Records, Rent of P. O. Box, Red Seals, Messenger Service, and Rubber Stamps	15 85	
1364. Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, Rent of Safe in Vault	5 00	
1401. Supreme Master of Records, Rent of P. O. Box, Messenger, Expenses of Finance Committee	16 00	
1403. Supreme Master of Records, Expenses of Agent of Trunk Line Association	11 00	
1409. Expenses of Finance Committee	13 50	
Balance	26 91	
	$200 00	$200 00

ITEM X.

RENT OF OFFICE AND EXPENSES.

Appropriation		$600 00
1314. Supreme Master of Records, Ice, Cleaning Office and Towels (113 North 12th St)	$11 85	
1319. Jas. D. Thompson, Rent, 113 N. 12th St	100 00	
1321. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1336. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1356. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1359. Supreme Master of Records, Cleaning Towels	1 20	
1361. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1372. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1378. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
Carried forward	$363 01	$600 00

Brought forward	$363 01	$600 00
1388. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1394. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
1401. Washing Towels, and Awnings for Windows	9 60	
1404. Committee on Hall, Rent	41 66	
Balance	102 41	
	$600 00	$600 00

ITEM XI.

SUBSCRIPTION TO "KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE."

Appropriation		$250 00
Order.		
1320. J. D. Barnes, Three Months' Subscription.	62 50	
1355. J. D. Barnes, Three Months' Subscription.	62 50	
1383. J. D. Barnes, Three Months' Subscription.	62 50	
1407. J. D. Barnes, Three Months' Subscription.	62 50	
	$250 00	$250 00

ITEM XII.

APPROPRIATED AT SESSION.

Order.	
1268. Benton Patterson, Premium, Organizing No. 490, Pa.	$15 00
1269. William Stahl, Premium, Organizing No. 3, Ohio	15 00
1270. S. J. Southard, Premium, Organizing No. 62, Ohio	15 00
1271. Andrew Herring, Premium, Organizing No. 65, Ohio.	15 00
1272. O. E. Shannon, Premium, Organizing No. 71, Ohio	15 00
1273. W. T. Morris, Premium, Organizing No. 15, W. Va	15 00
1274. G. W. Tooley, Premium, Organizing Nos. 20 and 21 West Virginia	30 00
1275. J. M. Clay, Premium, Organizing No. 22, W. Va	15 00
1276. John S. Ellis, Premium, Organizing No. 25, Ky	15 00
1277. Jacob H. Aull (Supreme Chief), Postage	153 67
1278. Jacob H. Aull (Supreme Chief), Traveling Expenses	406 54
1279. Lena P. Thompson, Carriage Hire, Parade at Washington, D. C	30 00
1281. Committee on Law, Postage	2 66
1282. Committee on Finance and Mileage, Traveling Expenses during the year	31 70
1283. Committee on Printing, Postage	2 16
	$776 73

ITEM XIII.

PREMIUM FOR ORGANIZING NEW CASTLES.

Order.		
1301.	F. M. Griffin, Organizing No. 26, Kentucky	$15 00
1302.	L. P. Creekbaum, Organizing No. 73, Ohio	15 00
1312.	Wm. G. McCroskey, Organizing No. 494, Pennsylvania	15 00
1313.	L. D. Probst, Organizing No. 11, Indiana	15 00
1322.	H. W. Pinkerton, Organizing No. 492, Pennsylvania	15 00
1323.	C. D. Strauss, Organizing No. 491, Pennsylvania	15 00
1324.	James M. Gibbs, Organizing No. 493, Pennsylvania	15 00
1325.	John C. Rohrer, Organizing No. 495, Pennsylvania	15 00
1326.	E. H. Switzer, Organizing No. 496, Pennsylvania	15 00
1327.	Mahlon R. Fox, Organizing No. 497, Pennsylvania	15 00
1329.	Jas. Trebilcock, Organizing No. 10, Michigan	15 00
1340.	C. H. Webster, Organizing No. 499, Pennsylvania	15 00
1341.	Thos. N. Goodman, Organizing No. 12, Indiana	15 00
1342.	Wm. T. Mead, Organizing No. 24, West Virginia	15 00
1343.	John S. Ellis, Organizing No. 29, Kentucky	15 00
1347.	W. H. Bean, Organizing No. 2, Illinois	25 00
1351.	Benton Patterson, Organizing No. 498, Pennsylvania	15 00
1352.	Geo. F. Roehrig, Organizing Nos. 4 and 6, Colorado	30 00
1353.	W. W. Hall, Organizing No. 30, Kentucky	15 00
1354.	J. E. Toone, Organizing No. 7, District of Columbia	15 00
1362.	John I. Kleffman, Organizing No. 500, Pennsylvania	15 00
1367.	Robt. P. Fitzgerald, Organizing No. 376, Pennsylvania	15 00
1368.	Wm. Thos. Loach, Organizing No. 77, Ohio	15 00
1369.	Carl G. Fulmer, Organizing No. 78, Ohio	15 00
1375.	Benton Patterson, Organizing No. 303, Pennsylvania	15 00
1377.	S. E. Layman, Organizing No. 448, Pennsylvania	15 00
1380.	H. J. Phillips, Organizing No. 316, Pennsylvania	15 00
1384.	F. S. Krieger, Organizing No. 6, Wisconsin	25 00
1389.	H. H. Erdman, Organizing No. 134, Pennsylvania	15 00
1391.	R. W. Henry, Organizing No. 1, Montana	25 00
1392.	Henry W. Harner, Organizing No. 28, Kentucky	15 00
1393.	J. F. S. Fenstermacher, Organizing No. 501, Pennsylvania	15 00
1402.	L. P. Creekbaum, Organizing No. 26, West Virginia	15 00
		$540 00

ITEM XIV.

FURNITURE FOR NEW OFFICE.

Order.		
1306.	Jos. L. Shoemaker, 2 Desks	$57 00
1307.	Heywood Bros. & Co., Chairs	26 50
	Carried forward	$83 50

Brought forward	$83 50
1308. Louis E. Stilz & Bro., Curtain	15 00
1318. John and Jas. Dobson, Carpet and Laying	176 78
1333. A. F. Martin, Clock	7 77
1338. Francis D. Kramer, Repairing Furniture and Reupholstering	43 00
1339. D. O. Boorse, Making Frame and Altering Door	44 55
1344. Chas. J. Field, 2 Window Ventilators	8 00
1357. Chas. B. Edwards & Co., Umbrella Stand and Spittoons	7 50
1359. L. H. Tobin, Hanging Pictures	2 75
1373. Walker & Kepler, Electric Mats	10 15
	$399 00

ITEM XV.

DEPUTY SUPREME CHIEF, (ORGANIZER.)

Order.

1305. Expenses of D. S. C. John B. Powell and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer to Altoona, Pa	$53 00
1317. John B. Powell, Expenses	50 00
1348. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	200 00
1365. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses for March and April	200 00
1382. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1385. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1406. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	100 00
1411. John B. Powell, Salary and Expenses	160 00
	$963 00

ITEM XVI.

Order.

1412. Quartermaster General, Amount Expended in Excess of Receipts	$382 85

MILITARY BRANCH.

The Committee have also examined the books and accounts of the Quartermaster General and Adjutant General of the Military Branch and found them correct, viz.:

Received from Warrants and Commissions	$194 00
" " Sale of Supplies	87 00
Deficit	382 85
	$663 85

Expended as per Orders 1 to 28, inclusive:

Order.			
1.	J. W. Boud, for Printing	$11 00	
2.	Postage and Incidentals	3 00	
3.	J. W. Boud, Printing	14 50	
4.	Expenses, Lieutenant General	50 00	
5.	Postage and Incidentals	8 70	
6.	Geo. S. Harris & Sons. Lithographing	36 50	
7.	J. W. Boud, Printing	42 50	
8.	P. Stockhausen, Printing	3 25	
9.	Postage and Incidentals	16 00	
10.	Expenses of Lieutenant General	100 00	
11.	J. W. Boud, Printing	3 75	
12.	Stout Bros, Desk	22 50	
13.	R. R. Hodge, Closet for Supplies	9 00	
14.	J. W. Boud, Printing	3 50	
15.	Postage	8 50	
16.	Postage and Incidentals	11 50	
17.	C. B. Wood, Six Months' Salary	25 00	
18.	Expenses, Lieutenant General	75 00	
19.	C. B. Wood, Three Months' Salary	12 50	
20.	Postage and Incidentals	14 10	
23.	J. W. Boud, Printing	50	
24.	R. R. Hodge, Adjutant General, Salary	100 00	
25.	Postage	9 10	
26.	Thomas Parry's Sons, Badges	35 20	
27.	C. B. Wood, Three Months' Salary	12 50	
28.	W. Culbertson, S. M. of R., Supplies	20 00	
			$663 85

ITEM I.

EXPENSES OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL.

Appropriation		$300 00
Order.		
4. Expenses	$50 00	
10. Expenses	100 00	
18. Expenses	75 00	
Balance	75 00	
	$300 00	$300 00

ITEM II.

SALARY OF ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Appropriation		$100 00
Order 24. Salary	$100 00	
	$100 00	$100 00

ITEM III.

SALARY OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Appropriation		$50 00
Order.		
17. Salary	$25 00	
19. Salary	12 50	
27. Salary	12 50	
	$50 00	$50 00

ITEM IV.

PRINTING, POSTAGE AND INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation		$200 00
Order.		
1. Printing	$11 00	
2. Postage and Incidentals	3 00	
3. Printing	14 50	
5. Postage and Incidentals	8 70	
7. Printing	42 50	
8. Printing	3 25	
9. Postage and Incidentals	16 00	
11. Printing	3 75	
12. Desk for Office	22 50	
13. Closet for Supplies	9 00	
14. Printing	3 50	
15. Postage	8 50	
16. Postage and Incidentals	11 50	
20. Postage and Incidentals	14 10	
21. Printing	15 75	
23. Printing	50	
25. Postage and Incidentals	9 10	
Balance	2 85	
	$200 00	$200 00

ITEM V.

SUPPLIES.

Appropriation		$200 00
Order.		
6. Lithographing New Commissions	$36 50	
26. For Badges	35 20	
28. For Drill Manuals	20 00	
Balance	108 30	
	$200 00	$200 00

RECAPITULATION.

Item.	Appropriated.	Expended.	Merged.
1. Traveling Expenses of Supreme Chief, and Instituting Castles under the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle	$1,000 00	$772 00	$228 00
2. Salary of Supreme Master of Records	1,200 00	500 00	700 00
3. Salary of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer	200 00	200 00	
4. Supplies	3,000 00	3,176 38	
5. Postage and Expressage	300 00	221 97	78 03
6. Printing and Stationery	1,000 00	1,009 09	
7. Mileage	700 00	727 80	
8. Expenses of Session	250 00	201 80	48 20
9. Incidental Expenses	200 00	173 09	26 91
10. Rent of Office and Expenses	600 00	497 59	102 41
11. Subscription to "Knights of the Golden Eagle"	250 00	250 00	
12. Appropriated at Session		776 73	
13. Premium for Organizing New Castles		540 00	
14. Furnishing New Office		399 00	
15. Deputy Supreme Chief at Large, Organizing		963 00	
16. Quartermaster General, to Balance Account		382 85	
	$8,700	$10,791 30	$1,183 55

Item 4 Overdrawn	$176 38
" 6 Ovedrawn	9 09
" 7 Overdrawn	27 80

MILITARY BRANCH.

Item.	Appropriated.	Expended.	Merged.
1. Expenses of Lieutenant General.	$300 00	$225 00	$75 00
2. Salary of Adjutant General.....	100 00	100 00	
3. Salary of Assistant Adjutant General	50 00	50 00	
4. Printing, Postage and Incidentals	200 00	197 15	2 85
5. Supplies	200 00	91 70	108 30
	$850 00	$663 85	$186 15

The assets and liabilities of the Supreme Castle were as follows:

ASSETS.

Amount due by Grand Castles, Castles and Temples.....	$1,969 22
Supplies on Hand	888 20
Safes, Furniture, etc.....	500 00
Cash in Hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.....	1,139 16
	$4,496 58

LIABILITIES.

Thos. Parry's Sons, Badges and Jewels.....	$350 25	
Grand Castle of Connecticut (overpaid).....	2 50	
Key of the Gulf Castle, No. 2, Florida (overpaid)	2 50	
Supreme Master of Records, Balance of Salary.	700 00	
		1,055 25
Balance in Excess of Liabilities.....		$3,441 33

The following are the estimated receipts for the ensuing year:

From Per Capita Tax.....	$1,500 00	
" Sale of Supplies	6,000 00	
" Charter and Dispensation Fees.....	100 00	
		$7,600 00

MILITARY BRANCH.

From Warrants and Commissions	$300 00	
" Supplies	150 00	
		450 00
Total Receipts		$8,050 00

The following appropriations are recommended:

Item.	
1. Traveling Expenses of Supreme Chief and Instituting Castles under the Immediate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle	$800 00
2. Salary of Supreme Master of Records.....	1,200 00

3. Salary of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer	$200 00
4. Supplies	3,500 00
5. Postage and Expressage	250 00
6. Printing and Stationery	1,000 00
7. Mileage	775 00
8. Expenses of Session at Reading	250 00
9. Incidentals	200 00
10. Rent of Office	500 00
11. Subscription to "Knights of the Golden Eagle"	200 00

MILITARY BRANCH.

1. Expenses of Lieutenant General	$300 00
2. Salary of Adjutant General	100 00
3. Salary of Assistant Adjutant General	50 00
4. Printing, Postage and Incidentals	200 00
5. Supplies	200 00

We recommend the following schedule of prices for supplies, as our revenue in this direction is inadequate:

SUPPLIES.

All printed or other material furnished by the Supreme Castle to any Grand or Subordinate Castle, members thereof, or other parties, for creating a revenue for the Supreme Castle, shall be known under the general heading of "Supplies," which shall be furnished as may be from time to time specified, changed, altered, or amended by legislation at a regular session; but for the time being, shall be as follows:

SUPPLIES TO GRAND CASTLES.

Charter Fee to Grand Castle (including five Rituals)	$30 00
Charter Plates for Subordinates, each	2 00
Dispensation Plates for Subordinates, each	1 00
Rituals for Grand Castles, per set of five	15 00
Rituals for Subordinate Castles, per set of five	16 25
Funeral Ceremonies, each	75
Ode Cards, each	5
Withdrawal Cards, each	75
Dismissal Certificates, each	75
District Grand Chiefs' Commissions, each	50
Question Books, each	4 00
Music Ode Books, per dozen	3 60
Drill Manuals, to Grand Castles, per dozen	9 00
Drill Manuals, to other parties, per dozen	10 00

Certificates of Membership, per dozen	$9 00
Badges for Grand and Subordinate Castles, per dozen	12 00
Badges for Grand and Subordinate Castles, each	1 25
Jewels for Officers of Grand Castles (gold plated), per set of eleven	12 00
Jewels for Officers of Grand Castles or Past Grand Chiefs, each	1 25
Jewels for Officers of Subordinate Castles (silver plated) per set of fifteen	12 00
Jewels for Officers of Subordinate Castles or Past Chiefs, each	1 00

SUPPLIES TO SUBORDINATE CASTLES.

Charter Fee (including five Rituals, 50 Ode Cards, and 1 Funeral Ceremony)	$30 00
Rituals, per set of five	18 00
Rituals, each	4 00
Funeral Ceremonies, each	1 00
Ode Cards, each	10
Withdrawal Cards, each	1 00
Dismissal Certificates, each	1 00
Question Books, each	5 00
Music Ode Books, each	40
Drill Manuals, each	1 00
Certificates of Membership, per dozen	12 00
Certificates of Membership, engrossed, each	1 50
Badges, per dozen	12 00
Badges, each	1 25
Jewels for Officers (silver plated), per set of fifteen	12 00
Jewels for Officers and Past Chiefs (silver plated), each	1 00

We respectfully offer the following suggestion and ask that it be proposed as an amendment to the Laws, to wit:

Change the present rate of per capita tax as follows:

To Grand Castles.—For the first two thousand members, at the rate of 10 cents per capita, and an additional 2 cents per capita on each member over and above two thousand, payable annually.

To Subordinate Castles, where no Grand Castle exists, at the rate of 20 cents per annum, payable semi-annually.

The transfer of the Supreme Castle office caused the expenditure of $210 for seven months, as a balance of the unexpired rental, which, the Supreme Master of Records was compelled to pay. We recommend the amount be refunded to Brother Culbertson.

We would call the attention of the Supreme Castle to the legislation at Washington, which directed the transfer of the Supreme

Castle headquarters to the K. G. E. Hall, at 814-816 North Broad Street, Philadelphia. This transfer necessitated the expenditure of $399 for carpets and furniture for the new office, and we now have one of the handsomest headquarters of any Ooder.

Bills for this amount were presented and approved by your Committee.

Your attention is called to the figures presented by the Supreme Master of Records, as follows:

Balance on hand last session	$1,626 52	
Receipts (all sources)	10,303 94	
		$11,930 46
Expenditures		10,791 30
Balance in hand of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, September 1st, 1896		$1.139 16

These receipts, however, include an item of $2,000 from the sale of bonds, which would show an actual arrearage of $860.84, and an actual expenditure of $2,487.36 in excess of current receipts.

Added to this are the present liabilities of $1,055.25, making a total excess of $3,542.61.

The above figures show the payment of the liability at the close of last year of $352.86, which, if deducted from the expenditure of the current year, will show the actual expenditure to be $2,134.50 more than was collected from all sources.

This condition of affairs should warrant the unanimous sentiment of the Supreme Castle in favor of increased revenue.

You will observe that Item 4, supplies, was overdrawn $176.38; Item 6, printing and stationery was overdrawn $9.99, and Item 7, mileage, was overdrawn $27.80.

We ask that an appropriation be made to cover these amounts.

All of which is respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

JOHN DICKINSON,
JNO. B. TREIBLER, JR.,
LOUIS E. STILZ,
JOHN ASPRIL,
JOSEPH ARNOLD.

SUPREME CASTLE,

TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND MILEAGE, DR.

To Expenses as follows:

John B. Treibler, Jr.	$34 90
John Aspril	5 00
Total	$39 90

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, beg leave to submit the following report:

No. 1. F. S. Bagley vs. the Noble Chief of Denver Castle, No. 7, of Colorado.

We sustain the decision of the Noble Chief.

No. 1. The Law of the Supreme Castle is, "Voting is by sign" (the yeas and nays are not used in Subordinate Castles). 2. A brother cannot change his vote from the negative to the affirmative after a decision has been rendered.

No. 2. Vineland Castle, No. 46, of N. J., vs. Carlisle Castle, No. 110, of Pennsylvania.

This case was referred to us, and as it had not been acted upon by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania, we were of the opinion that we should pass on the written evidence as presented.

After carefully going over the evidence and facts as presented, we hereby endorse and approve of the action of the Committee on Apppeals and Grievances of the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania.

Fraternally

JACOB H. AULL, *Chairman*,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE,
J. E. HIGHLEY,
J. C. GOODING,
E. V. MOORE.

An additional report will be made at the session.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We would respectfully report that all of our actions have been unanimous, in the approval of the following laws, and that they have been approved by the Supreme Chief:

GRAND CASTLES.—*Constitutions*—West Virginia, New Jersey, Indiana, Massachusetts, Maryland, Colorado, Maine.

CASTLES.—*By Laws*—Nos. 1 and 2, Texas; No. 4, Wisconsin; No. 6, Virginia; No. 2, Illinois.

GRAND TEMPLES.—*Constitutions*—New Jersey, Ohio.

TEMPLES.—*By Laws*—Nos. 2, 3 and 5, Delaware; No. 1, Missouri; Nos. 4 and 5, West Virginia; No. 3, Maryland; No. 1, 2 and 3, New Hampshire; No. 3, Wisconsin; No. 2, Michigan; No. 1, District of Columbia; No. 6, Massachusetts.

In many instances, when the Constitution of a Grand Castle was sent for consideration, it was accompanied by the Constitution of Subordinate Castles.

Your Committee could take no action on the latter, as each Grand Castle frames its own, provided the laws therein do not conflict with those of the Supreme Castle.

Upon perusal, however, we found many cases of conflicting laws with the legislation and Constitution of the Supreme Castle; also, that many of the mandatory laws prescribed in Section 3, Article 7 Supreme Castle Constitution, were omitted. We would, therefore,

Recommend, That the Committee on Law, for the ensuing year, be authorized to examine the Constitutions of Subordinate Castles, as adopted by the respective Grand Castles; that they submit their findings to the Supreme Chief, who, upon approval thereof, shall notify the respective Grand Castles, requesting a compliance with the laws of the Supreme Castle.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

J. D. BARNES, *Chairman*,
EDW. S. ROWAND,
GEO. R. CROSS,
Committee on Law.

Supreme Castle, K. G. E., to Committee on Law, DR.

To postage:

E. S. Rowand	$1 76
Geo. R. Cross	1 68
	$3 44

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Printing, would respectfully report that we have approved the following bills presented to us:

November 18, Detre & Blackburn, 1,000 letter heads.....	$4 50	
1,000 postal cards.....	11 50	
Large envelopes....	4 00	
Small envelopes.....	2 50	
		$22 50
November 18, Timothy McCarthy, printing reports.....	$219 75	
2000 journals.....	518 75	
Time work (alterati'ns)	15 34	
Two cuts.....	5 00	
	$758 84	
Deduct standing matter....	118 00	
		640 84
December 18, E. D. Senseman, postals, blank cards and circulars.....	$65 45	
Pamplets, postals, note-heads, envelopes.....	75 75	
		142 20
December 18, J. W. Boud, S. A. P. W. circulars.....	$8 00	8 00
Photo-chromo type Engraving Co., 1 vig. portrait and 2,100 prints.....	11 67	
Photo-chromo type Engraving Co., portrait	11 67	
		23 34
January 11, John W. Kennedy & Co., pamphlets.....		16 50
February 28. E. D. Senseman, 3,000 envelopes.....	$6 00	
500 blanks.....	4 00	
3,150 postals.....	3 15	
5,000 application blanks...	17 25	
5,150 postals.....	3 15	
500 blanks.....	4 00	
3,000 cards.....	5 50	
1,000 noteheads, 2 colors...	3 50	
		46 55
Carried forward.....		$899 93

Brought forward		$899 93
February 15, James Young, 1,000 constitutions		53 00
500 institutions of Temples	$15 00	
3,000 D. B. Laws	35 00	
		50 00
February 15, E. D. Senseman, 2,000 envelopes	$4 00	
1,000 letterheads	4 25	
1,000 noteheads	3 50	
500 copies S. A. report	9 50	
		21 25
2,000 letters	$8 50	
500 envelopes	1 75	
500 applications for Charter	4 00	
		14 25
1,000 labels	$1 50	
500 statements (2 colors)	3 75	
June 9, E. D. Senseman, 3,150 postals	3 15	
500 blanks	4 00	
5,000 cards	5 00	
3,200 postals	3 20	
500 blanks	4 00	
3,200 postals	3 20	
500 blanks	4 00	
		31 80
June 9, Hallowell & West, 15 page institution circular, Temple Degree	$24 16	
		24 16
June 9, E. D. Senseman, 750 letter heads (D. S. C.)	$4 50	
750 envelopes	2 25	
3,000 copies Temple laws	27 00	
		33 75
July 9, E. D. Senseman, packing postals	$1 50	
3,200 postals	3 20	
500 blanks	4 00	
500 applications, D. B. F.	4 50	
250 blanks (remittances)	2 00	
3,200 postals	3 20	
500 blanks	4 00	
1,000 4 page circular	5 50	
		27 90
1 receipt book	$5 25	
175 D. G. C's certificates	2 00	
100 circulars, S. A. P. W. Castles	3 00	
Carried forward	$10 25	$1,156 04

Brought forward	$10 25	$1,156 04
July 9, E. D. Senseman, 100 circulars, S. A.P.W. Temples	2 25	
500 bill heads	3 25	
3,000 envelopes	6 00	
		21 75
August 14, Swain & Tate Co., circulars	$11 25	
postals	1 75	
		13 00
August 14, E. D. Senseman, 8,000 pamphlets	$32 00	
2,500 envelopes & letterheads	2 75	
7,500 pamphlets	30 00	
53 question books (Eng.)	66 25	
12 question books (Ger.)	15 00	
3,000 pamphlets (German)	21 00	
6 electrotypes (German)	3 60	
6 electrotypes (English)	5 40	
250 envelopes & letterheads	2 75	
3,200 postals	3 20	
500 blanks	4 00	
		185 95
J. W. Boud, 200 circulars	$5 50	
150 postals	1 50	
		7 00
		$1,383 74

Respectfully submitted in F. V. and H.,

ERNST KOCH,

LYMAN P. LEWIS.

Committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE DEATH BENEFIT FUND.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The Executive Board of the Death Benefit Fund respectfully submit the following as their annual report:

In the case of Sir Knight William P. Morris, of Liberty Castle, No. 39, of Pennsylvania, the particulars of which were fully reported in our report of last year, through the efforts of our attorney the matter was brought to the attention of Court of Common Pleas No. 1, and the case decided in favor of Liberty Castle by Judge Biddle, as follows:

"To this bill the respondents, Henry Morris, Virginia Morris and John C. Ludlam, Jr., make answer admitting all the facts alleged in the bill to be true. They, however, contend that the certificate issued in this case is not in conformity with the by-laws of the Company issuing it, and, therefore, the amount therein stated is payable to them as heirs-at-law. This question they claim to be entitled to have passed upon by this Court, and ask in one of their points to have the question determined in this proceeding.

"Before going into an elaborate discussion of these by-laws the question arises, What standing have the respondents here to be heard upon that subject? They are not members of either of these Orders, neither are they creditors of either of them. The Liberty Castle hold an instrument under seal made in their favor for a valuable consideration, which the party who made it is desirous of paying. Whether it is in conformity with their by-laws is a matter for them to decide, and is a matter in which the heirs-at-law seem to have no right to interfere; but even if we consider the by-laws, Section 4 prescribes that the death benefit certificate shall be issued for the benefit of such person or persons as may be named therein, and no person shall receive any benefit until they be so named. This certificate in this case was given to William P. Morris in his lifetime for a valuable consideration, on October 29th, 1891, and held by him until the time of his death, on December 11th, 1893. It is abundantly clear, therefore, in this case, that to give it to anyone else would be directly against his wishes. In the case of Folmer's Appeal, 87 Pa. 133, the Constitution of the Penn Mutual Life

Insurance Company prescribed that the assessment 'shall be paid to his legal representatives or to such person or persons as he may have designated or appointed in writing, provided always that where such member shall have a widow and children he shall have no power to deprive her or them of the benefits specified in this article, by will or otherwise, but the same shall be paid to her absolutely.' The application for the award was made in the name of a niece, with whose family he was living, but at the time of his death he had a married daughter living apart and independent of him. The Court below awarded this fund to the daughter, but the Supreme Court reversed Mr. Justice Woodward saying, 'to secure such provision to an indentified beneficiary was the very purpose of this contract, and the purpose was expressed with absolute directness. The association accepted the proposition made to them, and bound themselves to pay the fund due at his death, not to the legal representatives of the applicant, nor to his daughter, but for the use of the person whom he had designated or appointed in writing.' The money was, therefore, re-awarded to the niece in accordance with the contract with the association. We think this decision clearly rules this case, and the certificate is properly payable to the persons in whose favor it is drawn, and into whose possession it should be delivered."

In the case of John Mount, also fully reported in our last report, in accordance with the resolution, the money reverted to the Fund.

We append, for the information of our members, an Act of Assembly of Pennsylvania, approved April 6th, 1893, and call their attention to the importance of having their certificates renewed when made necessary by the death of the beneficiary or beneficiaries:

ACT OF ASSEMBLY, APPROVED APRIL 6, 1893.

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc., that it shall be lawful for any corporation, society or voluntary association now or hereafter formed or organized and carried on for the sole benefit of its members and their beneficiaries, and not for profit, to have and create subordinate lodges with ritualistic form of work and a representative form of government and to issue certificates of membership, make provisions for the payment of benefits in case of sickness, disability or death of its members, subject to their compliance with its constitution and laws in which the fund from which the payment of such benefits shall be made, and the expenses of such association shall be defrayed and shall be derived from assessments or dues collected from its members, and in which the pay-

ment of death benefits shall be to families, heirs, blood relatives, affianced husband or affianced wife of or to persons dependent upon the member.

In accordance with the legislation of the Supreme Castle at the last session, the claim of James B. Kelly was settled by his acceptance of $100.

These cases having been settled there are no disputed claims existing.

The total amount paid out to the beneficiaries of deceased members amount to $217,000.

While the membership of the Fund has not increased we find much to encourage us. Class B, which pays $500 at death, is now beginning to be understood and appreciated by the members of the Order, and we think it will be the means of adding largely to our membership.

We have received many letters from members of the Order advocating a stated monthly assessment, also a $250 class, and we have given much thought and time to the matter. After examining the various tables and plans of organizations similar to our own, we have concluded that the plan of classified assessments, similar to that adopted by the A. O. U. W., is the most equitable of any.

The members are placed in groups, according to the ages they have attained, and a rate of assessment is called, which, upon a careful and exact mathematical examination by one of the most expert actuaries in the United States, is determined to be the natural premium cost of such groups. Each group passes from a lower to a higher rate of assessment in steps of five years each, until 50 years is reached, after which there is no further advance. The table showing the cost for the different ages for $1,000, $500 and $250 will be found in the amendments offered to the Death Benefit Laws.

Owing to the number of deaths, and the desire of the Executive Board to prevent the assessments becoming a burden upon the members, they deemed it advisable to borrow the additional sum of $3,000 from the Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying death claims, and we would recommend that the action of the Board be approved. This $3,000, in addition to the $2,000 loaned the Beneficiary Fund September 15, 1895, makes the indebtedness of the latter to the Reserve Fund amount to $5,000, which, we respectfully ask authority to cancel.

It was also the intention of the Board to dispose of the investment belonging to the Reserve Fund in the Pennsylvania and North-

western Equipment Fund (amounting to $3,000) for the purpose of paying three additional claims, but owing to the fact that the loan will mature shortly, the bonds could not be disposed of except at a discount. These bonds will mature March 1st, 1897, when it is the intention of the Board to use the proceeds in payment of such claims. The approval of the Supreme Castle of this proposed action is earnestly desired.

Under date of September 10th, 1896, the Supreme Chief informed the Executive Board that at session of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, held September 8th and 9th, a Benefit Fund to be paid at death was inaugurated, and named the "New Jersey Mortuary Fund." As this matter will be referred to by the Supreme Chief in his report, we consider that all that is necessary for us to do, is to call the attention of the Supreme Castle to Article XIV., Laws for the Government of the Death Benefit Fund.

The following statement shows the membership of the Death Benefit Fund:

Membership, September 7th, 1895:		
Class A	2,891	
Class B	20	
		2,911
Admitted from September 7, 1895, to September 7, 1896:		
Class A	122	
Class B	63	
		185
		3,096
Died from September 7, 1895 to September 7, 1896	46	
Suspended from September 7, 1895, to September 7, 1896:		
Class A	270	
Class B	7	
		323
Membership September 7, 1896:		
Class A	2,695	
Class B	78	
		2,773

The following shows the number of members in each jurisdiction in Class A:

Pennsylvania	1,261	Kansas	12
Maryland	447	Indiana	9
New Jersey	232	North Carolina	9
Connecticut	150	Colorado	16
Ohio	98	Virginia	7
Massachusetts	90	Rhode Island	5
Delaware	48	Wyoming	4
New York	32	Nebraska	5
Louisiana	31	Florida	3
Wisconsin	37	South Carolina	3
California	34	Maine	3
District of Columbia	28	Kentucky	2
New Hampshire	25	Illinois	3
West Virginia	20	Washington	1
Missouri	26	Canada	1
Michigan	11	Texas	7
Georgia	20		
Alabama	15		2,695

CLASS B.

Maryland	43	District of Columbia	3
Pennsylvania	11	Connecticut	1
Wisconsin	6	Illinois	1
Colorado	4	Delaware	1
Texas	5		
Ohio	3		78
Total membership			2,773

The reports of the Supreme Master of Records, Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, and Committee on Finance, which will be submitted to you, will show in detail the receipts and expenditures during the year.

Fraternally submitted in F., V. and H.,

A. C. LYTTLE,
Supreme Chief.

WILLIAM O. BROWN,
Supreme Vice Chief.

TIMOTHY McCARTHY,
Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

WM. CULBERTSON,
Supreme Master of Records

JAMES E. WHITEFORD, M. D.,
Supreme Medical Examiner.

AMENDMENTS TO THE LAWS.

PHILADELPHIA, September 25, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In obedience to the resolution adopted at the session of the Supreme Castle, held in Washington, in 1895, the Executive Board respectfully offer the following amendments to the laws of the Death Benefit Fund. Owing to the severe illness of some of the Board, they were unable to complete the revision in time to have it printed and mailed to each member one month previous to the session.

Article II, Section 2, add after the word Executive Board the words "and issuing of certificate."

Article II, Section 3, to read as follows:

The admission fee and expenses shall be as follows:

	Class—A $1,000.	Class—B $500.	Class—C $250.
1. Admission Fee (including certificate)	50	50	25
2. Advance Assessment, as per table in Art. IV			
3. One quarters' dues in advance	25	25	25
4. Medical Examiner's fee	$1 00	$1 00	50
5. Supreme Medical Examiner's fee	50	50	25

Article III, Section 2. Add after the word "business," in last line, the words, "He shall sign all certificates issued by the Executive Board."

Article III, Section 4. Insert between the words "shall" and "keep," sixth line, page 4, the words, "issue all Death Benefit certificates and."

ARTICLE IV.

ASSESSMENTS AND DUES.

Table of Monthly Payments.

Ages.	$250.	$500.	$1,000.
Eighteen to twenty-four	15	30	60
Twenty-five to twenty-nine	16	32	64
Thirty to thirty-four	18	36	72
Thirty-five to thirty-nine	21	42	84
Forty to forty-four	25	50	$1 00
Forty-five to forty-nine	33	66	1 32
Fifty and over	44	88	1 76

These rates are to be applied to all members at their attained ages at the time the rates are put into operation, and upon all new members upon date of their connection with the Fund. The members to advance from the lower group to the next higher group, the advance to be made on the 1st day of January of each year, on the basis of the attained ages of the members at that date.

Strike out Section 2. Section 3 to become Section 2.

Section 2 to read:

Section 2. When an assessment or quarterly dues is due and remains unpaid over thirty days, the member becomes non-beneficial, and his beneficiary is thereby debarred from all benefits until the same be paid to the Supreme Master of Records. Should he fail to pay all the assessments and dues, as herein set forth, within the time prescribed for the payment of the latter assessment, he is thereby suspended from membership in the Death Benefit Fund.

Section 4 to become Section 3.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF CASTLES.

Section 1. All applications for membership in the Death Benefit Fund shall be made through the Castle to which the applicant belongs, and the Master of Records of such Castle must thereupon certify to such applicant's standing, and forward the same to the Supreme Master of Records, under seal of the Castle.

The applicant must sign his Christian name in full to the application.

Section 2. Castles shall collect from their members who are also members of the Death Benefit Fund, all assessments when called, and dues as they become due, and forward the same to the Supreme Master of Records, not later than the fifth day of each month, who shall give his receipt therefor. Should the Master of Records fail to forward the assessments in the time prescribed, the Supreme Master of Records shall notify each and every member of the Castle who is a member of the Fund of that fact, and they shall have fifteen days in which to forward the amount due, or forward their receipt showing the same had been paid.

Section 3. No change.

Section 4. Strike out the word "fifty" on second line, page 8, and insert "twenty-five," and change the word "annually" to "semi-annually;" strike out "September" and insert "the months of May and November."

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. Add after the words "Class B," in third line, "nor two hundred and fifty dollars in Class C."

Section 2. Strike out, after the word "cause," in sixth line, up to and including the word "claim," and insert the words "the same to be paid."

Section 4. Strike out the word "therein," in third line.

Section 5. Insert in second line between the words "destroyed" and "a," the words "he or she must apply for."

ARTICLE X.

Add new Section:

Section 6. Any applicant who has been examined, and whose examination papers have not been forwarded to the Supreme Medical Examiner within 60 days after such examination, must be re-examined before being admitted to membership in the Fund.

ARTICLE XV.

Strike out the words "semi-annually," in second line, and insert the word "quarterly."

Fraternally submitted in F., V. and H.,

A. C. LYTTLE,
Supreme Chief.

WILLIAM O. BROWN,
Supreme Vice Chief.

TIMOTHY McCARTHY,
Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

WM. CULBERTSON,
Supreme Master of Records.

JAMES E. WHITEFORD, M. D.,
Supreme Medical Examiner.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME MASTER OF RECORDS.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In accordance with the requirements of Article III, Section 4, of the Laws for the Government of the Death Benefit Fund, I respectfully submit the following report:

The present membership of the Fund is 2793.

The following are the receipts and expenditures of each Fund at the close of the fiscal year:

BENEFICIARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From Back Assessments	$2,001 00	
" Assessments Nos. 105 and 106	2,742 50	
" Assessments Nos. 107 and 108	2,655 25	
" Assessments Nos. 109, 110 and 111	3,976 75	
" Assessments Nos. 112, 113 and 114	4,124 25	
" Assessments Nos. 115 and 116	2,698 25	
" Assessments Nos. 117, 118 and 119	3,983 25	
" Assessments Nos. 120, 121 and 122	4,082 25	
" Assessments Nos. 123 and 124	2,644 00	
" Assessments Nos. 125, 126 and 127	3,950 75	
" Assessments Nos. 128, 129 and 130	3,968 75	
" Assessments Nos. 131, 132 and 133	3,726 25	
" Assessments Nos. 134, 135 and 136	2,931 25	
On account of Assessments Nos. 137, 138 and 139	26 00	
Loan from Reserve Fund	3,000 00	
	$46,510 50	
Balance in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer at last report	2,084 75	
		$48,595 25

EXPENDITURES

For 46 Deaths	$46,000 00	
" Reserve Fund, 5 er cent. of receipts	2,175 50	
		$48,175 50
Balance		$419 75

EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From Dues	$2,715 50

EXPENDITURES.

Amount overdrawn September 11, 1895	$18 21
For Printing Pamphlets, Postal Cards and Blanks	227 65
" Postage, Postal Cards, and Incidentals	626 26
" Expenses of Officers attending meetings of the Executive Board	82 69
" Expenses of Supreme Medical Examiner attending Session at Washington, D. C.	9 00
" Fee to Insurance Department of Maryland	29 00
" Fee to Insurance Department of Wisconsin	25 00

For Fees to Recommenders of Applicant.....	$46 25	
" Settlement of Claim of James B. Kelly, as per Resolution of Supreme Castle.....	100 00	
" Salaries	1,240 00	
		$2,404 06
Balance		$311 44

RESERVE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From 5 per cent. of Receipts from Assessments.....	$2,175 50
" Interest on Deposits	63 94
" Interest on Mortgages	120 00
" Interest on Bonds	300 00
Balance in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer at last report	955 02
	$3,614 46

EXPENDITURES.

For Loan to Beneficiary Fund.....	$3,000 00	
" two years and four months interest on Beneficiary of William P. Morris.....	46 67	
		$3,046 67
Balance		$567 79

The following shows the assets and liabilities of the various Funds:

BENEFICIARY FUND.

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.....	$419 75
Assessments in process of collection.....	5,190 00
	$5,609 75

LIABILITIES.

Amount due Beneficiaries on assessments Nos. 132 to 139	$11,000 00	
Loans from Reserve Fund.....	5,000 00	
		16,000 00
Liabilities in excess of assets.....		$10,390 25

EXPENSE FUND.

ASSETS.

Dues in process of collection.....	$25 00
Cash in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.....	311 44
	$336 44

RESERVE FUND.

ASSETS.

Two Mortgages, $1,000 each, at 6 per cent interest.....	$2,000 00
Three $1,000 Bonds, Pennsylvania and Northwestern Equipment Trust.....	3,000 00
Three $1,000 Bonds, Odd Fellows' Hall Association.....	3,000 00
Loans to Beneficiary Fund.....	5,000 00
Cash in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.....	567 79
	$13,567 79

Fraternally sumbitted in F., V. and H.,

WM. CULBERTSON,

Supreme Master of Records.

Deceased Members on whose account Death Benefits were Paid.

No. of Death.	Name.	Assess't No.	Castle.	Jurisdiction.	Admitted.	Died.	Approved.	Causes of Death.
					1891.	1895.	1895.	
174	John Lampen	103	Crescent, No. 98	Pennsylvania	October 28	June 13	July 22	Paralysis.
175	Josiah M. Graves		P. H. Sheridan, No. 2	Connecticut	September 11	June 18	July 22	Cancer of Jaw Bone.
176	Wm. A. M. Love		Crusader, No. 5	Pennsylvania	October 28	June 22	July 22	Congestion of Lungs.
177	Thomas Parry	104	Keystone, No. 1	Pennsylvania	September 14	June 25	July 22	Nephritis.
178	Thomas Moore	105	Suffolk, No. 12	Massachusetts	October 10	August 3	August 22	Pneumonia.
179	Albert J. Fernald	106	Columbia, No. 18	Maryland	September 10	July 4	August 22	Accidental Drowning.
180	Manley Ensign		Mahacamo, No. 4	Connecticut	October 31	August 21	September 22	Fracture of Skull.
181	John Wimer	107	Damacus, No, 178	Pennsylvania	September 30	August 26	September 22	Bright's Disease.
182	William McCreedy	108	Olive, No. 18	Pennsylvania	October 29	September 4	September 22	Suicide by Hanging.
183	Jos. M. Colwell	109	Waverly, No. 13	Pennsylvania	October 14	September 11	October 21	Cancer.
184	John R. Henderson	110	Windsor, No. 3	Massachusetts	October 15	September 17	October 21	Consumption.
					1893.			
185	John W. Woodside	111	Stonewall Jackson, No. 2	North Carolina	March 31	September 27	October 24	Typho-Malarial Fever.
					1891.			
186	Jacob M. Gardner	112	Hamilton, No. 6	Ohio	September 12	October 8	November 23	Appendicitis.
187	Wm. D. Stratton		St. Paul, No. 287	Pennsylvania	October 26	October 11	November 23	Accidental Injury from Fall.
188	Charles M. Clark	113	Damascus, No. 178	Pennsylvania	October 26	October 12	November 23	Tubercular Laryngitis.
189	Lewis Watson		Phoenix, No. 70	New Jersey	October 14	October 14	November 23	Valvular Disease of Heart.
190	Wm. W. Levering	114	Alhambra, No. 7	Maryland	September 10	October 15	November 23	Tuberculosis.
191	Marshall B. Hammond		Coeur de Lion, No. 2	New Hampshire	September 23	October 15	December 21	Organic Disease of Heart.
192	Jas. H. Lambert	115	Mars, No. 3	Maryland	September 7	October 26	December 21.	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
193	Micajah Gilman	116	Coeur de Lion, No. 2	New Hampshire	September 23	November 18	December 21.	Heart Disease.
							1896.	
194	William T. Millick		Crescent, No. 98	Pennsylvania	September 14	October 20	January 23	Typho-Malarial Fever.
195	Eldridge Smith	117	Coeur de Lion, No. 2	New Hampshire	November 3	November 23	January 23	Pneumonia.
196	Robert S. Ryan		Belvidere, No. 13	Maryland	September 7	November 28	January 23	Paresis and Uremia.
197	John Grant	118	Ledger, No. 231	Pennsylvania	October 31	December 9	January 23	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
198	William C. Roat	119	Aurora, No. 15	Pennsylvania	September 29	December 15.	January 23	Nephritis and Hepatitis.
199	William Weaver	120	St. George, No. 2	Maryland	September 7	December 19.	February 22	Chronic Bronchitis
200	Chas. H. Crane		Suffolk, No. 12	Massachusetts	November 3	December 22.	February 22	Uremia.
201	H. V. S. McCullough	121	California, No. 1	California	October 10	December 28	February 22	Fatty Degeneration of Heart.
						1896.		
202	Allen J. Matz		Reynolds, No. 44	Pennsylvania	October 23	January 2	February 22	Consumption of Lungs.

Deceased Members on whose account Death Benefits were Paid—Continued.

No. of Death.	Name.	Assess't No.	Castle.	Jurisdiction.	Admitted.	Died.	Approved.	Causes of Death.
					1891.	1896.	1896.	
203	Francis A. Bachman	122	Slatington, No. 206	Pennsylvania	October 30	January 18	February 22	Rheumatism of Heart.
						1895.		
204	Chas D. Carey		Kingston, No. 305	Pennsylvania	October 28	December 3	March 20	Pneumonia.
						1896.		
205	William A. Sutton	123	Fidelity, No 8	Pennsylvania	October 3	January 28	March 20	Bright's Disease.
206	Jesse B. Stegall		Queen City, No. 1	Alabama	August 28	February 12	March 20	Aortic Regurgitation.
207	John O'Neill	124	Fidelity, No. 8	Pennsylvania	October 3	February 22	March 20	Suicide by Shooting
208	John Dooley		Phœnix, No. 70	New Jersey	September 10	March 18	April 20	Pneumonia.
209	Thos F Moreland	125	Apollo, No. 2	Delaware	October 14	March 23	April 20	Broncho Pneumonia.
210	Jos A. Fluck	126	Palmyra, No. 22	New Jersey	September 9	March 27	April 20	Cerebral Apoplexy.
211	James Harris	127	Denver, No. 7	Colorado	October 17	March 30	April 20	Nephritis.
212	Henry A. Cook		Alhambra, No. 7	Maryland	September 10	April 5	May 22	Apoplexy
213	Geo. W. Ferguson	128	Washington, No. 3	New Jersey	September 2	April 13	May 22	Bright's Disease.
214	Samuel C. Southard	129	Monarch, No. 9	New Jersey	October 30	April 15	May 22	Congestion of Lungs.
215	William H. Keeler	130	Golden Crown, No. 57	Pennsylvania	October 12	April 20	May 22	Purpura Hemorrhagia.
216	Samuel R. Jackson		Ivanhoe, No. 4	Maryland	September 7	April 26	June 22	Tuberculosis of Lungs.
217	Geo. B. Schellinger	131	Apollo, No. 3	Pennsylvania	October 24	May 7	June 22	Diabetes.
218	Saml. R. Richards		Keystone, No. 1	Pennsylvania	August 29	May 13	June 22	Paralysis.
						1891.	1891.	
*107	Wm. P. Morris	55	Liberty, No. 39	Pennsylvania	October 29	December 11	December 21	Pneumonia.

* This is the case referred to in Report of Executive Board.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF EXCHEQUER.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In accordance with the requirements of Article III, Section 5, of the Laws for the Government of the Death Benefit Fund, I respectfully submit the following report of the finances of the Death Benefit Fund for the term just closed:

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Balance on hand at last report		$2,079 75
Received from Supreme Master of Records Culbertson		43,510 25
" " Reserve Fund, Loans		3,000 00
Transferred from Class B (funds consolidated)		5 25
		$48,595 25
Paid Orders Nos. 198 to 244, inclusive:		
46 Death Claims	$46,000 00	
5 per cent. of Receipts from Assessments to Reserve Fund	2,175 50	
		48,175 50
Balance		$419 75

EXPENSE FUND.

Received from Supreme Master of Records		$2,715 50
Paid Orders Nos. 168 to 204, inclusive	$2,385 85	
" Balance overdrawn at last report	18 21	
		2,404 06
Balance		$311 44

RESERVE FUND.

Balance on hand at last report	$955 02	
Received from Supreme Master of Records, 5 per cent. of Assessments	2,175 50	
Received from Supreme Master of Records, Interest on Investments	420 00	
Received from Interest on Supreme K. of E.'s Deposits	63 93	
		$3,614 46
Paid Orders Nos. 7 and 9, Loans to Beneficiary Fund	$3,000 00	
Paid Order No. 8, Interest on Death Claim of William Morris	46 67	
		$3,046 67
Balance		$567 79

The following were the receipts and expenditures in detail:

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Dr.					Cr.				
1895.					1895.				
		To Balance		$2,079 75	Oct.	4.	By Cash,	Ord. 198,	$1,000 00
Oct.	4.	" Cash		1,831 00	"	4.	" "	199,	1,000 00
"	18.	" "		2,133 00	"	21.	" "	200,	1,000 00
Nov.	6.	" "		666 00	"	21.	" "	201,	1,000 00
"	15.	" "		1,901 75	"	21.	" "	202,	1,000 00
Dec.	3.	" "		786 75	Nov.	15.	" "	203,	1,000 00
"	14.	" "		2,867 00	"	15.	" "	204,	1,000 00
"	14.	" "		5 25	Dec.	3.	" "	205,	1,000 00
1896.					"	17.	" "	206,	1,000 00
Jan.	4.	" "		1,000 00	"	17.	" "	207,	1,000 00
"	6.	" "		1,194 75	"	17.	" "	208,	1,000 00
"	16.	" "		3,230 50	1896.				
Feb.	7.	" "		764 00	Jan.	6.	" "	209,	1,000 00
"	13.	" "		1,930 25	"	16.	" "	210,	1,000 00
Mar.	6.	" "		859 75	"	16.	" "	211,	1,000 00
"	17.	" "		2,833 50	"	16.	" "	212,	1,000 00
April	3.	" "		1,209 75	Feb.	7.	" "	213,	1,000 00
"	14.	" "		3,104 75	"	13.	" "	214,	1,000 00
May	4.	" "		740 50	"	13.	" "	215,	1,000 00
"	11.	" "		1,928 00	"	13.	" "	216,	1,000 00
June	2.	" "		850 25	Mar.	11.	" "	217,	1,000 00
"	12.	" "		2,949 75	"	17.	" "	218,	1,000 00
July	3.	" "		974 75	"	17.	" "	219,	1,000 00
"	13.	" "		3,214 00	"	17.	" "	220,	1,000 00
Aug.	3.	" "		848 50	April	3.	" "	221,	1,000 00
"	11.	" "		2,836 00	"	14.	" "	222,	1,000 00
Sept.	24.	" "		1,009 75	"	14.	" "	223,	1,000 00
"	24.	" "		2,846 09	"	14.	" "	224,	1,000 00
"	25.	" "		2,000 00	May	4.	" "	225,	1,000 00
					"	11.	" "	226,	1,000 00
					"	11,	" "	227,	1,000 00
					June	2,	" "	228,	1,000 00
					"	12,	" "	229,	1,000 00
					"	12,	" "	230,	1,000 00
					"	12,	" "	231,	1,000 00
					July	3,	" "	232,	1,000 00
					"	15,	" "	233,	1,000 00
					"	15,	" "	234,	1,000 00
					"	15,	" "	235,	1,000 00
					"	19,	" "	236,	1,000 00
					Aug.	3,	" "	237,	1,000 00
					"	11,	" "	238,	1,000 00
					"	11,	" "	239,	1,000 00
					"	11,	" "	240,	1,000 00
					Sept.	21,	" "	241,	1,000 00
					"	21,	" "	242,	1,000 00
					"	21.	" "	243,	1,000 00
					"	26.	" "	244,	2,175 50
							Balance		419 75
				$48,595 25					$48,595 25

EXPENSE FUND.

Dr.

1895.			
Oct.	4.	To Cash.....	$23 00
"	18.	"	18 75
Nov.	6.	"	32 75
"	15.	"	449 00
Dec.	3.	"	127 50
"	14.	"	43 50
1896.			
Jan.	6.	"	14 25
"	16.	"	12 75
Feb.	7.	"	44 00
"	13.	"	456 75
Mar.	6.	"	133 50
"	17.	"	21 25
April	3.	"	15 75
"	14.	"	8 25
May	4.	"	31 00
"	11.	"	451 00
June	2.	"	144 25
"	12.	"	29 75
July	3.	"	13 25
"	15.	"	11 25
Aug.	3.	"	38 00
"	11.	"	441 00
Sept.	24.	"	122 50
"	26.	"	32 50
			$2,715 50

Cr.

1895.			
		By Balance.....	$18 21
Oct.	3.	By Cash, Order 168,	65 00
Nov.	9.	" " 170,	75 00
"	9.	" " 169,	9 00
Dec.	5.	" " 171,	100 00
"	17.	" " 172,	75 00
"	18.	" " 173,	15 48
1896.			
Jan.	6.	" " 176,	75 00
"	11.	" " 175,	63 45
"	13.	" " 177,	16 31
Feb.	7.	" " 178,	25 00
"	7.	" " 179,	237 99
"	7.	" " 180,	75 00
Mar.	10.	" " 183,	75 00
"	12.	" " 181,	46 55
"	14.	" " 182,	35 00
April	7.	" " 184,	75 00
"	18.	" " 186,	10 20
May	4.	" " 185,	29 00
"	4.	" " 187,	163 51
"	12.	" " 188,	75 00
June	2.	" " 189,	26 55
"	3.	" " 190,	75 00
July	2.	" " 191,	75 00
"	23.	" " 192,	27 90
"	28.	" " 193,	12 00
Aug.	4.	" " 194,	75 00
Sept.	24.	" " 195,	14 02
"	24.	" " 196,	7 20
"	24.	" " 197,	209 28
"	24.	" " 198,	75 00
"	24.	" " 199,	50 00
"	24.	" " 200,	300 00
"	24.	" " 201,	46 25
"	26.	" " 202,	11 00
"	26.	" " 203,	19 16
"	26.	" " 204,	21 00
		Balance.....	311 44
			$2,715 50

RESERVE FUND.

Dr.			Cr.		
1895.			1896.		
	To Balance.....	$955 02	Jan. 4.	By Cash, Ord., 7,	$1,000 00
Nov. 4.	" Cash	75 00	Aug. 3.	" " 8,	46 67
Dec. 3.	" "	60 00	Sep. 25.	" " 9,	2,000 00
1896.				Balance.....	567 79
Mar. 19.	" "	75 00			
" 19.	" "	43 53			
May 5.	" "	75 00			
Sept. 23.	" "	75 00			
" 24.	" "	60 00			
" 26.	" "	20 41			
" 26.	" "	2,175 50			
		$3,614 46			$3,614 46

The Reserve Fund consists of:

Two Mortgages, $1,000 each, bearing 6 per cent. interest, on properties in Hamilton, Ohio.....	$2,000 00
Three $1,000 bonds of the Pennsylvania and Northwestern Equipment Trust, bearing 5 per cent. interest.....	3,000 00
Three $1,000 bonds of the Odd Fellows' Hall Association of Philadelphia, bearing 5 per cent. interest.....	3,000 00
Loans to Beneficiary Fund.....	5,000 00
Cash on Deposit in Guarantee Trust and Safe Deposit Company of Philadelphia, paying 2 per cent. interest.	567 79
Total	$13,567 79

Fraternally submitted in F., V. and H.,

TIMOTHY McCARTHY,
Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Finance and Mileage, submit our report of the Death Benefit Fund.

We have, in accordance with the requirements of our laws, made regular audits of the books of Supreme Master of Records and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, and compared the receipts and disbursements as presented.

A recapitulation of the finances in this Fund show:

Collected from 33 Assessments and Arrearages	$43,510 50	
Loans from Reserve Fund	3,000 00	
Balance in hands of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer last report	2,084 75	
		$48,595 25

EXPENDITURES.

Unpaid Claims of last year	$6,000 00	
Forty Death Claims of current year	40,000 00	
Five per cent to Reserve Fund	2,175 50	
		48,175 50
Balance		$419 75

Total number of Deaths for the year to September 1, 1896	51
Remaining unpaid September 1, 1896	11

The Receipts of the Expense Fund were	$2,715 50
Expenditures	2,404 06
Balance	$311 44

RESERVE FUND.

Receipts, all sources	$2,659 44
On hand last report	955 02
	$3,614 46
Expenditures	3.046 67
Balance	$567 79

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.

September 1, 1896, Balance on hand	$419 75
Due from called Assessments	5,190 00
Total	$5,609 75

LIABILITIES.

Unpaid Claims	$11,000 00
Loans from Reserve Fund	5,000 00
Total	$16,000 00
Excess of Liabilities	$10,390 25

As the Board of Officers of the Death Benefit Fund will make suggestions bearing on the condition of this feature, we refrain from making any recommendation.

We earnestly desire, however, that some remedy may result in the successful advancement of the D. B. feature.

The following statement shows the claims in detail as per orders drawn during the term, and amounts transferred to Reserve Fund, also orders paid from Expense and Reserve Funds:

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Order.		
198.	Ann E. Lampen, widow of John Lampen...	$1,000 00
199.	Kate C. Graves, widow of Josiah M. Graves.	1,000 00
200.	Kate Love, widow of William A. M. Love..	1,000 00
201.	Jane Parry, widow of Thomas Parry.....	1,000 00
202.	Annie M. Moore, widow of Thomas Moore.	1,000 00
203.	Nancie E. Fernald, guardian of children of Albert J. Fernald	1,000 00
204.	Sarah A. Ensign, widow of Manly Ensign..	1,000 00
205.	Emma Wimer, widow of John Wimer.....	1,000 00
206.	Jane McCreedy, widow of William McCreedy	1,000 00
207.	Emma Colwell, widow of Joseph M. Colwell	1,000 00
208.	Ermina R. Henderson, widow of John R. Henderson	1,000 00
209.	J. W. Woodside, widow of John W. Woodside	1,000 00
210.	Eliza A. Gardner, widow of Jacob M. Gardner	1,000 00
211.	Margaret E. Stratton, widow of William D. Stratton	1,000 00
212.	Martha A. Clark, widow of Charles M. Clark	1,000 00
213.	Mary E. Watson, widow of Lewis Watson..	1,000 00
214.	Sarah Levering, widow of William W. Levering	1,000 00
215.	Minnie B. Hammond, widow of Marshall B. Hammond	1,000 00
216.	Maggie R. Lambert, widow of James H. Lambert	1,000 00
217.	Lydia Gilman, widow of Micajah Gilman..	1,000 00
218	The Fidelity Insurance Trust and Safe Deposit Co., guardian of Marguerite P. Millick, grand-daughter of William T. Millick	1,000 00
	Carried forward.....	$21,000 00

Brought forward	$21,000 00	
219. Elizabeth Smith, widow of Eldridge Smith.	1,000 00	
220. Annie Ryan, widow of Robert S. Ryan....	1,000 00	
221. Emma S. Grant, widow of John Grant.....	1,000 00	
222. Mary Roat, widow of William C. Roat.....	1,000 00	
223. Mary E. Weaver, widow of William Weaver.	1,000 00	
224. Sarah A. Crane, widow of Charles H. Crane.	1,000 00	
225. Barbara McCullough, widow of H. V. S. McCullough	1,000 00	
226. Sarah C. Matz, widow of Allen J. Matz.....	1,000 00	
227. Sarah A. Bachman, widow of Francis A. Bachman	1,000 00	
228. Frederick Corss, guardian of Maud E. and Charles D. Carey, minor children of Charles D. Carey	1,000 00	
229. Mary L. Sutton, widow of William A. Sutton	1,000 00	
230. Emma J. Stegall, widow of Jesse R. Stegall	1,000 00	
231. Hannah O'Neill, widow of John O'Neill.....	1,000 00	
232. Isabella Dooley, widow of John Dooley....	1,000 00	
233. Anna C. Moreland, widow of Thomas F. Moreland	1,000 00	
234. Lucy Ann Fluck, widow of Joseph A. Fluck	1,000 00	
235. Ann Harris, widow of James Harris.....	1,000 00	
236. F. A. Hartranft, Esq., attorney, Liberty Castle, No. 39, Pa., beneficiary of William Morris	1,000 00	
237. Mary C. Cook, widow of Henry A. Cook.....	1,000 00	
238. Anne E. Ferguson, widow of George W. Ferguson	1,000 00	
239. Mary S. Southard, widow of Samuel C. Southard	1,000 00	
240. Isabella Keeler, widow of William H. Keeler	1,000 00	
241. Mary E. Jackson, widow of Samuel R. Jackson	1,000 00	
242. Daniel M. Schellinger, Lizzie Neisser, George B. Schellinger, Jr., Emma Uric and Ida Wadsworth, children of George B. Schellinger	1,000 00	
243. Sarah E. Richards, daughter of Samuel R. Richards	1,000 00	
		46,000 00
244. Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, for Reserve Fund...		2,175 50
		$48,175 50

EXPENSE FUND.

Order.		
168.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	$65 00
169.	Jas. E. Whitford, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner, expenses attending session at Washington, D. C.	9 00
170.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
171.	James B. Kelly, in settlement of claim as per resolution of Supreme Castle, October 10, 1895	100 00
172.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
173.	Jas. E. Whiteford, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner, postage and expenses attending session of Executive Board	15 48
175.	E. D. Senseman, printing, postal cards, blank applications, circulars and envelopes	63 45
176.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
177.	A. C. Lyttle, Supreme Chief, expenses attending session of the Executive Board	16 31
178.	Supreme Master of Records, fee paid Insurance Department of Wisconsin	25 00
179.	Supreme Master of Records, postal cards and postage	237 99
180.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
181.	E. D. Senseman, printing postals, note heads, application blanks and envelopes	46 55
182.	James Young, printing D. B. F. Laws	35 00
183.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
184.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
185.	Supreme Master of Records, filing statement with Insurance Commissioner of Maryland	29 00
186.	A. C. Lyttle, Supreme Chief, attending session of Executive Board	10 20
187.	Supreme Master of Records, postage and postal cards	163 51
188.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
189.	E. D. Senseman, printing postal cards	26 55
190.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
191.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
192.	E. D. Senseman, printing postal cards	27 90
193.	Jas. E. Whiteford, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner, expenses attending session of Executive Board	12 00
194.	Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
195.	A. C. Lyttle, Supreme Chief, expenses attending session of Executive Board	14 02
196.	E. D. Senseman, printing postal cards	7 20
	Carried forward	$1,654 16

Brought forward	$1,654 16
197. Supreme Master of Records, postage, postal cards and mailing tubes	209 28
198. Edward S. Rowand, salary	75 00
199. Timothy McCarthy, S. K. of E., salary	50 00
200. William Culbertson, S. M. of R., salary	300 00
201. Supreme Master of Records, fees paid to recommenders of applicants	46 25
202. W. O. Brown, S. V. C., expenses attending sessions of Executive Board	11 00
203. Jas. E. Whiteford, M. D., Supreme Medical Examiner, expenses attending session of Executive Board	19 16
204. E. D. Senseman, printing postal cards	21 00
	$2,385 85

RESERVE FUND.

Order.	
7. Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, for loan to Beneficiary Fund	$1,000 00
8. F. A. Hartranft, Esq., attorney, on account of Liberty Castle, 2 years and 4 months interest on $1,000, at 2 per cent. per year	46 67
9. Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, for loan to Beneficiary Fund	2,000 00
	$3,046 67

In concluding this report we commend the efficiency of the Supreme Master of Records and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, and regret that we are unable to present more encouraging figures, and repeat our expressed desire for increased interest in the D. B. feature.

Fraternally submitted in F., V. and H.,

JOHN DICKINSON,
JNO. B. TREIBLER, JR.,
LOUIS E. STILZ,
JOHN ASPRIL,
JOSEPH ARNOLD,

Committee on Finance and Mileage.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME MEDICAL EXAMINER.

READING, PA., October 13th, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:- In compliance with the laws of the Death Benefit Fund, I render you my annual report as Supreme Medical Examiner.

There have been received 31 new applications for Medical Examiner. Twenty-two of those appointed are members of the Order, and were duly commissioned. Nine are not members of the Order, and were appointed without commissions.

The following are the names and addresses of the Medical Examiners appointed and commissioned to September 1st, 1896.

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town*	*State.*
Wheeler, W. C.		Huntsville	Alabama.
Hall, B. A.	211 West Second street	Pine Bluff	Arkansas.
Bunnell, William P.		New Britain	Connecticut.
Converse, Geo. F.	49 Dixwell avenue	New Haven	"
Deaver, H. J.	61 Golden Hill	Bridgeport	"
Hughes, Oliver J. D.		Meriden	"
Jewett, J. W.	Box 1088	New Haven	"
Lambert, B. L.	358 Howard avenue	"	"
Lighter, W. E.		Darien	"
Park, Chas. E.	Box 1395	"	"
Craig, Chas P.	304 Main street	Danbury	"
Wright, Frank B.	48 Pearl street	New Haven	"
Coleman, A. W.	3218 Downing avenue	Denver	Colorado.
Lake L. F.		Central City	"
McDonald, A. A.		Rockvale	"
Roehrig, George F.	2421 Ogden street	Denver	"
Cook, Francis S.	712 O'Farrell street	San Francisco	California.
Dorroh, John R.		Angel Camp	"
Gilmour, A. A.	404 Golden Gate avenue	San Francisco	"
Blocksom, J. T. V.	610 Delaware avenue	Wilmington	Delaware.
Cooper, Peter	918 West street	"	"
Enos, Thomas A.		Townsend	"
Tomlinson, P. W.	700 West street	Wilmington	"
Palmer, John J.	1812 Delaware avenue	"	"
Peters, B. B.		Christiana	"
Leech, D. Oliver	631 Maryland avenue	Washington	D. of Columbia.
Frederick, L. L.	329 East Capital street, N. W.	"	"
Caldwell, C. L.	924 S street	"	"
Dixon, Harry M.	1126 Connecticut avenue	"	"
Maloney, John B.	Box 174	Key West	Florida.
Potts, Samuel T., Jr.	928 Broadway	Augusta	Georgia.
Falligant, Louis A.	152 South Broad street	Savannah	"
Winchester, W. R.		Macon	"

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town.*	*State.*
Morrison, James E.		Urbana.	Illinois.
Meyer, Sherman	Melrose and Wood streets	Chicago	"
Randolph, Richard	444 East Sixty-third street	"	"
Slaught, Arthur W.	6311 Kimbark avenue	"	"
Hartly, John D.	6426 Stony Island avenue	"	"
Harris, S. H.		Fort Wayne	Indiana.
Hammond, John H.		Anderson	"
Bennett, Carrie S.	104 East Fourteenth street	Marion	"
Hamilton, A. A.		"	"
Kimball, Glenn D.		"	"
Wright, Charles L.		Huntington	"
Morgan, J. E.		Oskaloosa	Iowa,
McGwin, G. C.		Grinnell	"
St. John, P. D.		Wichita	Kansas.
Miller, J. E.		Salina	"
Elliott, J. M.	271 Bayou road	New Orleans	Louisiana.
Hicks, S. H.		Shreveport	"
Marrero, F. G.	Twentieth and Charles streets	New Orleans	"
Sarghnor, G.		Monroe	"
Mackenzie, Edw. E.	Biddle and Eutaw streets	Baltimore	Maryland.
Ulrich, S. S.	Union Square	"	"
Cuffrorth, H. J.	1021 McCollough street	"	"
Kelly, Robert S.	13.0 West Lombard street	"	"
Athey, Caleb N.	810 North Broadway	"	"
Knight, Louis W.	414 North Green street	"	"
Freddeman, Wm. H.	141 Chestnut avenue	Hampden, Bal. Co	"
Norris, R. R.		Parkton Balt. Co.	
Stevenson, Burton H.	Rider P. O.	Baltimore Co.	"
Porter, Gibson H.		Lonaconing	
Duncan, E. M.	Govanstown	Baltimore Co.	"
Jewness, J. A.	Rising Sun	Cecil County	"
Sappington P. F.	York Road	Baltimore Co.	"
Twiggs, W. F.		Cumberland	"
Williams, Arthur	Elk Ridge	Howard County	"
Regan, Wm. O. H.		Hagerstown	"
McCormick, G. C.	Sparrow's Point	Baltimore Co.	"
Thomas, A. V.		Portland	Maine.
Chippman, Wm. R.	116 Hawthorn street	Chelsea	Massachusetts.
Cowler, Frank A.	128 Cabot street.	Beverly	"
Lewis, James S.	9 Porter street	Lynn	"
Richardson, R. F.	10 Dilsfree street	"	"
Williams, Joseph	15 Monument square	Charleston	"
Devore, James A.	124 Monroe street	Grand Rapids	Michigan.
Battinger, Joseph	270 Catherine street	Detroit.	"
Malcolm, F. B.		"	"
McDonald, J. B.		Clayton	"
Newell, James	418 Grand River avenue	Detroit	"
Prentice, J. W.	166 Stocking street	Grand Rapids	"
Kean, N. D.		Ishpeming	"
Wright, George R.		Pittsford	"
Thompson, F. G.		St. Joseph	Missouri
Dumbauld, W. A.		Cartersville	"
Tyler, Robert B.		Joplin	
Kirby, A. M.	913 N. Carison avenue	St. Louis	

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town.*	*State.*
Robinson, George T.	518 Linden street	Camden	New Jersey.
Doran, John G.	207 North Sixth street	"	"
Wainwright, James B.		Manasquan	"
Herbert, R. W.		"	"
Whitaker, Frank		Point Pleasant	"
Davis, Theodore G.		Bridgeton	"
Osman, W. F. H.	N. E. cor. Fifth and Pine sts	Camden	"
Cooper, James R.	211 East State street	Trenton	"
McCullough, Wm. G.	213 Perry street	"	"
Good, Wm. T.		Quinton	"
Harker, Gordon L.		Port Norris	"
Grimshaw, Oliver		Swedesboro	"
Taylor, Addison W.	Box 68	Beverly	"
Haines, E. C.		South Amboy	"
Daffell, C. L.		Clayton	"
Larison, E. W.		Lambertville	"
Woods C. O.		Forked River	"
Berkaw, Willard E.		Anondale	"
Woodward, J. F.	1016 East Broad street	Richmond	Virginia.
Hatton, E. Alexander	408 Middle street	Portsmouth	"
Sims, H. A.	Box 82	Roanoke	"
Hopkins, C. L.		Credo	West Virginia.
Flowers, A. J.		Glover's Gap	"
Sample, E. C.	Cor. 4th avenue and 20th street	Huntington	"
Pillsbury, C. C.	1531 Power avenue	West Superior	Wisconsin.
Lueders, A. W.	2412 Walnut avenue	Milwaukee	"
Gramble, C. F.		Red Canon	Wyoming.
Wilson, Charles W.		Vineland	New Jersey.
Sherk, Harry H.		Cramer's Hill	"
Hall, H. B.		Riverton	"
Maine, Elias D.		Sykesville	"
Van Derveer, Geo. W.		Mount Holly	"
Riser, Frank L.	1208 O street	Lincoln	Nebraska.
Craig, Horatio		Ballston Spa	New York.
Dunning, Z. F.	238 Arlington avenue	Brooklyn	"
Eden, Samuel	1340 Bushwick avenue	"	"
Harrigan, W. E.	251 Lownier avenue	"	"
Mausberger, Wm. H.	481 Broadway	Buffalo	"
Howard, Wm. R.	902 East Main street	Rochester	"
Smith, A. Noel	430 Central avenue	Dover	"
Wright, Silas P.		Wilmington	North Carolina.
Johnston, C. E.	927 Main avenue	Sidney	Ohio.
Sprague, Arthur J.	1322 Lexington avenue	Cleveland	"
Clapp, Herald	1922 St. Clair street	"	"
Jones, J. D.	1812 Coward street	"	"
Heorr, W. H.	1004 Woodland avenue	"	"
Campbell, A. D.	1960 St. Clair street	"	"
Kehres, E. J.	1426 St. Clair street	"	"
Kephe, John T.	1671 St. Clair street,	"	"
Coram, John J.		Springfield	"
Vickers, H. A.	110½ North M street	Findlay	"
Kolb, Geo. C.	242 West Seventh street	Cincinnati	"
Evans, Edwin F.	404 Federal street	Youngstown	"
Gallagher, J. S.		Lucus	"

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town.*	*State.*
Peirsal, Joseph		Bellaire	Ohio.
Twitchell, H. E	106 Main street	Hamilton	"
Kneisby, D. H		Troy	"
Minton, W. H. H		Bradford	"
Cone, J. E	536 North avenue	Youngstown	"
Laughlin, R		Steubenville	"
Reynard, Granville		Union City	"
Craig, Harvey		Mansfield	"
McCloud, C. F		East Palestine	"
Hougher, C. W		"	"
Miller, J. E		Bellevue	"
Sims, S. C		Dayton	"
McLaughlin, J. M	Box 231	Butler	"
Albin, D. D		Ironton	"
Hulbert, J. W		Uniopolis	"
Betts, Charles	920 Jefferson street	Toledo	"
Van Vorhies, W. A	2205 South Fifth street	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania.
Bigler, Chas. A	1919 N. Third street	"	"
Moore, J. H. B	2405 Montgomery avenue	"	"
Sendering, W. H	1934 North Sixth street	"	"
Shaw. Alex R	902 Susquehanna avenue	"	"
Johnson, Edward S	1307 North Sixth street	"	"
Ireland, A. B	1247 Shackamaxon street	"	"
Brown, James M	4021 Spring Garden street	"	"
McDowell, F. B	1858 North Twenty-first street	"	"
Locke, John H	2401 E. Huntington street	"	"
Fisher, Henry	2607 E. Norris street	"	"
Cramp, J. A	1921 Susquehanna avenue	"	"
Gardiner, W, H	1521 Oxford street	"	"
Balling, Robert H	Chestnut Hill	"	"
Sibbald, John	Fox Chase	"	"
Gramm, E. M	1433 Girard avenue	Philadelphia	"
Loder, Percival	517 South Eighth street	"	"
Wheeler, E. B	1919 North Eighth street	"	"
Irwin, J. A	634 Snyder avenue	"	"
Mann, James P	603 North Twelfth street	"	"
Pancoast, George R	2644 Brown street	"	"
Brown, F. K	343 Wharton street	"	"
Cowgill, Walter H	2135 Master street	"	"
Fritchey, John		Harrisburg	"
Smith, S. S		Emporium	"
Flix r, L. A		Tamanend	"
Clossan, C. W	913 Howard avenue	Allentown	"
Hartzell, W. H		"	"
Herbst, H Herbert		"	"
Kistler, William P	313 North Seventh street	"	"
Darnall, Carl R.		Up. Black Eddy	"
Garvey, James B		Dunmore	"
Woods, C. D		Coalport	"
Kinard, J. W	17 East Walnut street	Lancaster	"
Horn, C. T		Lehighton	"
Huston, Jos. H		Clintondale	"
Farran, J. K		Audenreid	"
Marclay, David		Chambersburg	"

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town.*	*State.*
Twitmire, T. C.		Glen Richey	Pennsylvania
Dunkelberger, N. F.		Kutztown	"
Bronson, A. F.		Girardville	"
Crawford, D. R.		Smicksburg	"
Bickel, U. Grant		Newburg	"
Gebhart, Weber R.		Lewisburg	"
McCloskey, J. B.		Mill Pond	"
Underwood, S. L.		Pittston	"
Wilson, W. G.	50 Mercer street	New Castle	"
Beckwith D. G.	West Main avenue	Scranton	"
McBryan, J. H.		Apollo	"
Baker, J. H.		Rochester	"
Engle, S. J.		Susquehanna	"
Rinehart, Charles A.		Lewistown	"
Riegre, W. A.		Catasauqua	"
Dillinger, G. Arthur		New Geneva	"
Schaeffer, O. D.		Freemansburg	"
Rollins, W. B.		Canawissa	"
Anderson, J. B.		Taringai	"
Shirvey, G. B.		Woodland	"
Horning, Charles S.		Phoenixville	"
Stern, P. E.	420 Broad street	S. Bethlehem	"
Garrison, Joseph S.		Bloomsburg	"
Winter, F.	187 Fulton street	Allegheny	"
Irons, W. R.	143 Taggart street	"	"
Henry, John K.		Mauch Chunk	"
Blanck, Joseph E.	Green Lane	Montgomery Co.	"
Paules, William R.		Danville	"
Crawford, L. T.		Tyrone	"
Du Lancey, Charles E.		Newport	"
Frank, Samuel	Cressman	Bucks Co.	"
Lewis, Thomas	33 E. Center	Mahanoy City	"
McCrea, A. B.		Berwick	"
Underwood, G.		Pittston	"
Gibson, W. O.	13 E. Eighth street	Erie	"
Fronfield, J. Harvey		Media	"
Gill, W. M.	3672 Pytonian	Pittsburg	"
McCord, J. P.	158 Third avenue	"	"
Kerr, Alvin H.	2310 Eagle street	"	"
Miller, F. H.	395 Wylie avenue	"	"
Pool, Stewart N.	129 Collins avenue, E. E.	"	"
Evans, Thos. R.	412 Penn avenue	"	"
Guiher, H. B.		Smithfield	"
Johnson, John S.	Fourteenth st. and Sixth ave.	Beaver Falls	"
Conrad, George E.	7 Marion street	Johnstown	"
Fichtner, A. S.	Morrellville	"	"
Beck, Richard H.	Heckerstown	Northampton Co.	"
Morris, J. B.		Punxsutawney	"
Krissinger, W. R.		Shanksville	"
Young, R. W.		Slatington	"
Jenkins, G. C.		Curwensville	"
Rosser, O. H.		Renovo	"
Ewing, C. M.		Tyrone	"
Stevens, J. D.		Millersburg	"

Name.	*Street Address.*	*City or Town.*	*State.*
Marrow, John R.		Jeannette	Pennsylvania.
Sprenkle, I. E.		Hanover	"
Hill, H. Howard		Everett	"
Pier, William F.		Avoca	"
Bealor, J. W.		Shamokin	"
Hall, J. C.		Millerstown	"
Rauthrauff, W. S.		Mountaindale	"
Levengood, W. Y.		Bellwood	"
Randall, A. B.	1606 Buck's Block	Erie	"
Swisher, David F.		Darby	"
Becker, John G.	30 North New Street	Bethlehem	"
Wagner, William H.	11 Newberry street	York	"
Tweadle, J. B.		Weatherly	"
Ramsey, R. Warren		Delta,	"
Walker, S. M.		Greensburg	"
Snyder, Charles B.		Greensburg.	"
Hoffman, J. Y.	9 9 Franklin street	Reading	"
Harmon, W. A.	82 Eighth street	"	"
Hare, Albert	8 5 Fifth avenue	McKeesport	"
Foulke, Richard C.		New Hope	"
Rossiter, E. B.	313 High street	Pottstown	"
Myers, Charles C.	4500 Baker street	Manayunk	"
Campbell, Charles		Petersburg	"
Leeflim, Oscar		Cold Point	"
Pollard, R. T.		Garrett	"
School, Harvey F.		Green Lane	"
Carson, J. B.		Blairsville	"
Longstreet, S. P.	206 Wyoming avenue	Scranton	"
Kunkle, William F.	918 Erie avenue	Williamsport	"
Brandt, S. K.		Alburtus	"
Seip, I. W.	111 N. Eighteenth street	Erie	"
Zulick, Thomas C.	321 Bushkill street	Easton	"
Sibby, David		Hastings	"
Laverty, D. M. C.		Middletown	"
Bowser, C. W.		Lehighton	"
Morgan, W. F.	Box 272	Braddock	"
Detwiler, J. F.	94 North Main street	Uniontown	"
Bartleson, H. C.		Fernwood	"
Hepler, A. J.		Fairmount City	"
Hardie, R. F.		New Brighton	"
Cline, A. J.		Derry Station	"
Calhoun, C. P.		Bedford	"
Louther, J. M.		Somerset	"
Lockwood, Joseph D.	74 Cannon street	Charlestown	South Carolina.
Watt, Andrew	608 Broadway	Providence	Rhode Island.

The following table shows the States in which new appointments were made:

Arkansas	1	Illinois	3
Delaware	2	Ohio	5
New York	1	Pennsylvania	12
Maryland	2	Washington, D. C.	1
Missouri	2	Wisconsin	2
			31

Suspended, 5.

Number of Medical Examiners holding appointment September 1, 1896, 293.

The number of applications examined by the Medical Examiners, in the several States, and forwarded to me for review from September 1st, 1895, to August 31, 1896, are as follows:

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Total.
Pennsylvania	1	5	3	5	7	2	9	5	3	2	1	8	51
Ohio	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
Colorado	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	1	8
Maryland	.....	4	8	2	8	1	4	1	1	2	2	22	55
North Carolina	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Nebraska	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
California	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	5
Connecticut	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Texas	.....	.....	2	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	6
Missouri	.....	1	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
District Columbia	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	3
Louisiana	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Illinois	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Delaware	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Indiana	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Massachusetts	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
New Jersey	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	2
Wisconsin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	.....	22
Georgia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1

Total number of petitions received	178
Total number of petitions rejected	8
Total number of petitions approved	170
Petitions received, males	163
Petitions received, females	15
Total	178
Rejected males	7
Rejected females	1
Total	8

From September 1, 1895, to August 31st, 1896, the order lost 53 members, from the following causes:

Apoplexy	4	Appendicitis	
Bright's Disease	2	Accident	3
Cancer	3	Paralysis	1
Congestion of Brain	1	Peritonitis	1
Chronic Bronchitis	1	Nephritis and Hepatitis	1
Diabetes	1	Suicide	3
Dilatation of Heart	1	Tuburcular Laryngitis	1
Dilatation of Stomach	1	Senile Gangrene	1
Heart Disease (valvular)	7	Typho-Malarial Fever	
Heart Failure (La Grippe)	1	Nephritic Dropsy	1
Pneumonia	4	Uræmia	3
Phthisis Pulmonalis	7	Purpura Hemorrhagica	1

All of the above deaths occurred in members who were admitted to the Death Benefit Fund prior to January 1, 1892, and without a medical examination. No deaths occurred during the year of any member who has passed the medical examination before being admitted, which speaks well for this department, and should encourage the members to work for the up-building of our Death Benefit Fund.

The following are the States in which members died, and the number each State lost:

Alabama	1	Pennsylvania	23
Colorado	1	Maryland	10
Delaware	1	New Jersey	7
California	2	Massachusetts	2
New Hampshire	3	North Carolina	1
Ohio	2		

I sincerely trust that every Sir Knight and Companion will see the importance of working to sustain the Fund, for no part of our noble Order is more to be prized, or is more beautifully represented than in seeing the widow and the orphan protected by the faithful ones who belong and pay the assessments, and remain loyal to such a good cause. Let every Brother and Companion rally under this noble banner.

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

JAMES E. WHITEFORD, M. D.,

Supreme Medical Examiner.

REPORT OF THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL OF THE MILITARY BRANCH.

READING, PA., October 13th, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—I have the honor to submit the following as my first report, showing my work of the year just past and the present condition of the Military Branch.

When assuming command I found it less prosperous than could be desired, but the present financial condition of our country is the cause of this. With industrial prosperity, our Military Branch will boom again. I have found many willing to help me in this great undertaking.

My efforts this year have to some extent been handicapped by the desire to know what the Committee on Revision of the Laws and Degree of Chivalry would decide to recommend.

I have made a new Regimental formation of the Commanderies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, so as to bring them closer together.

The revenue derived from the Military Branch this year makes a very poor showing, very few commissions have been issued and few supplies sold. The commissions nearly all expire with this year, so we can look for a large increase in the receipts.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDERS.

Have issued four general and five special orders. None of the latter being of very general importance, they are omitted from my report.

PHILADELPHIA, December 1st, 1895.

To the Officers and Members of the Military Branch:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In assuming command of the Military Branch, to which I have been elected, I desire to express my appreciation of the honor thus conferred, coupled with the assurance that I am fully cognizant of the importance of the post and its requirements, and shall exercise the utmost exertion to revive that enthusiasm which I regret to know has waned somewhat, consequent upon the business depression of the last two years.

The task is one which entails considerable tact, exertion and personal energy, but single handed my efforts would be futile;

therefore, I rely upon and hereby seek your hearty co-operation, which means your individual effort, persuasion and exertion to increase the strength of the Commanderies throughout the United States, having for your aim not only general efficiency, but an increase of one hundred per cent., to enable me to report at the next session of the Supreme Castle the cheering intelligence that the enthusiasm in the Military Branch is greater than at any time in our history.

This pleasing result can be obtained if you will but meet my efforts with corresponding zeal. Throw off all lethargy and enter upon a military campaign. Talk "Commandery" in your Castles. Prepare a series of visitations in full uniform. "Nothing succeeds like success," and when you have once aroused sufficient enthusiasm to secure a few recruits others will follow, without doubt. Make a good, live start. Start with the intention of carrying Success with you, and Failure will become a dead letter.

Every Castle with a live Commandery is a successful Castle; of this there is ample evidence. Local interest is aroused wherever our Commanderies appear, therefore, keep yourselves before the public, and let us reopen the era of Eagle prosperity. Remember that you can make your Commanderies beneficial organizations, and thus concentrate your benefit-investment in the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

In making my appointments I desire to surround myself with those whose love for the Order is beyond the mere desire for position—officers who will earn the honors bestowed upon them by a zealous devotion to the interests of the Military Branch rather than the subserviency of personal glory.

J. D. Barnes, Harry P. Reinicke and C. B. Wood have been appointed a committee to revise the laws of the Military Branch. In revising those laws improvement is the main object. It is, therefore, desirable that we ascertain your wishes, and this can be best obtained by availing yourselves of the opportunity afforded by the editor of the "KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE" to use its columns in the dissemination of ideas relative to the advancement of the Military Branch. Let our watchword be advance, and while we are advancing let us move quickly. Remember that I have arduous work facing me, and the more encouragement I receive by noting your practical efforts to assist, the greater will be my continued exertion to maintain the honor and prestige of that feature of our Order which has been acknowledged as the pioneer power of success in the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Trusting that the Grand Chief of each jurisdiction will use his influence to promote the organization of new Commanderies and

rejuvenate those which are now dormant, I conclude my first official greeting, reiterating my promise to use all efforts to achieve a pronounced success, and cordially inviting correspondence, with the assurance of prompt and earnest consideration.

Fraternally yours in Fidelity, Valor and Honor,

HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

Official: ROBERT R. HODGE,
Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY BRANCH,
KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.
PHILADELPHIA, November 25th, 1895.

GENERAL ORDER, NO. 1.

The following staff appointments are hereby announced:

EXECUTIVE STAFF.

Brigadier General Robert R. Hodge, Adjutant General, 622 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Brigadier General Timothy McCarthy, Quartermaster General, 1319 South Sixth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Brigadier General J. D. Barnes, Inspector General, 1820 North Sixth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Brigadier General James E. Whiteford, Surgeon General, 819 Aisquith Street, Baltimore, Md.

Colonel C. B. Wood, Assistant Adjutant General, S. W. corner Tenth and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia.

HONORARY AIDS.

Major General, M. C. Stafford, Philadelphia, Pa.
Major General, Jacob H. Aull, Baltimore, Md.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

Colonel, John E. Burbage, Maryland.
Colonel, Davis Casselberry, Pennsylvania.
Colonel, W. H. Keeler, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, Judson Kerr, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, W. L. Wilson, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, E. S. Johnson, M. D., Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, Walter H. Pelly, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, William H. Irwin, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, William P. Fowler, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, A. Howard Duckett, Philadelphia, Pa.

Colonel, H. Chester Rockey, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel, Jenkin Hill, Reading, Pa.
Colonel, H. A. Crow, Connellsville, Pa.
Colonel, John M. Bair, Pittsburg, Pa.
Colonel, Frank D. Woodbury, Charlestown, Mass.
Colonel, Edwin B. Dow, Chelsea, Mass.
Colonel, James E. Highley, Woodbury, N. J.
Colonel, William C. Hunter, Swedesboro, Pa.
Colonel, E. V. Moore, Sidney, Ohio.
Colonel, Ernst Koch, Darien, Conn.
Colonel, L. P. Creekbaum, Huntingdon, W. Va.
Colonel, Garrett S. Smith, Wilmington, Del.
Colonel, J. W. Ogston, Denver, Col.
Colonel, Howard Winslow, Portland, Maine.
Colonel, Anson S. McNab, Rochester, N. Y.
Colonel, G. E. Wolters, Milwaukee, Wis.
Colonel, E. Goehring, Key West, Fla.
They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Attention is called to the following extracts from the Laws governing the Military Branch:

Article I., Section 1. "The Supreme Castle possesses the exclusive power to authorize the formation of Commanderies * * * to organize Commanderies and to enact laws and regulations to govern the same."

Article I., Section 3. "The formation of military or uniformed bodies of Knights of the Golden Eagle under any other name or title is forbidden." * * *

Also to the following legislation, which now becomes a part of the above-mentioned "Laws:"

1. "That no member of the Order be permitted to wear the Badge of the Military Branch, or the baldric or shoulder straps of commissioned officers of the Military Branch, unless he be entitled to wear the same by virtue of holding a commission in this Branch of the Order." (From "Journal of Proceedings" of Supreme Castle. 1894.)

2. "Any officer desiring to be placed on the 'Roll of Honor' shall make application in writing, giving name of Commandery of which he is a member, and stating nature and length of service upon which the claim is based. The application must be endorsed by the Commanding Officer of the Commandery, and forwarded to the Adjutant General, to be placed on file. If the claim is found to be correct the Adjutant General shall enroll the name upon the 'Roll of Honor' and notify the applicant of such action. All such enrollments to be announced in next General Orders." (Journal of Proceedings of Supreme Castle, 1895.)

3. "Reports, on blanks sent from headquarters in December of each year, must be properly filled up and returned by the 1st of February following. Negligence on the part of Company Officers in this matter will cause the delinquent Commandery to be reported to the Supreme Chief for action as to revoking the warrant." (From official circular, approved by Supreme Castle.)

By command of

HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

Official: ROBERT R. HODGE,
Adjutant General.

MILITARY BRANCH,
KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

PHILADELPHIA, April 3d, 1896.

GENERAL ORDER, No. 2.

1. The following Commanderies having failed to comply with the law, in neglecting to forward the Annual Report, and failing to hold elections, the warrants are hereby revoked, and the said Commanderies are declared to be disbanded:

Ivanhoe, No. 1, of Union City, Indiana.
Colorado, No. 1, of Denver City, Colorado.

The warrants and books of said Commanderies must be forwarded to the Adjutant General.

2. The following officers, having fulfilled the requirements and filed the necessary application, are hereby placed on the

"ROLL OF RETIRED OFFICERS."

Jas. C. Howard, Ex-First Lieutenant, Essex Commandery, No. 5, Massachusetts, with rank of First Lieutenant.

Geo. C. Volkhardt, Ex-Aide-de-Camp on Staff of Major General, Division of Pennsylvania, with rank of Major.

John H. Reilly, Ex-Second Lieutenant, Mt. Penn Commandery, No. 51, Pennsylvania, with rank of Second Lieutenant.

J. George Hintz, Ex-Major First Battalion, Fourth Regiment, Division of Pennsylvania, with rank of Major.

Louis E. Stilz, Ex-Lieutenant General, with rank of Lieutenant General.

The aboved mentioned officers are entitled to wear the uniform of the rank herein specified on all parades and other Military Branch occasions: Provided, "That such officers hold membership and remain in good standing in a Commandery."

They will be respected accordingly.

By command of

HARRY P. REINICKE,

Lieutenant General.

Official: ROBERT R. HODGE,

Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY BRANCH,

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

PHILADELPHIA, July 20, 1896.

To all Officers and Members of the Military Branch, K. G. E., Greeting:

The next annual session of the Supreme Castle, K. G E., will be held in the city of Reading, Pa., commencing Tuesday, October 12th, on which date there will be a general demonstration of the Order. As on former occasions, the Military Branch will be expected to form an important part of the display, and it is incumbent upon us to uphold our well-earned prestige. Reading has a population of 60,000, whose reputation for hospitality is proverbial, and as our Order is well represented there by Castles, Temples and Commanderies, you will be assured of a fraternal welcome. The conveniences and resources of Reading as a convention city are not excelled by any city in the State, and the different lines of railroad make it easy of access from any point. We are also assured of a low rate of fare.

The city is almost surrounded by mountains, the principal of which, Mt. Penn and Neversink Mountain, are well known as health resorts. Gravity roads and trolley lines ascend by winding paths to their very summits, affording magnificent views of the adjacent country. At that time of the year (October) these mountains are beautiful, being covered with trees in all shades of autumn foliage.

There are many other points of interest that are well worth a visit, and we ask that every Commandery, not only in Pennsylvania, but in all nearby jurisdictions will make preparations at once to visit the city of Reading on the above date, and take part in the parade, which promises to be one of the largest and most interesting we have yet held.

Attention is called to the following:

To the Officers and Members of the Military Branch:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The Committee on Revision of Laws governing the Military Branch, after having very carefully ascertained the wants of that Branch, and giving careful consideration to every question, has decided to recommend to the Supreme Castle the retention of the Regimental formation, and in lieu of Brigades and Divisions, will recommend the institution of Grand Commanderies. A beautiful Degree of Chivalry has been prepared, which will be rehearsed before the Supreme Castle next October. With a few minor changes in the laws, it is believed the improvements suggested will materially benefit the Military Branch.

Signed by the Committee,

J. D. BARNES,
C. B. WOOD,
H. P. REINICKE,

In view of the above action of the Committe on Revision of Laws, the following General Orders are issued, so that the delayed machinery of the Military Branch may again be started with renewed vigor.

Fraternally, in F., V. and H.,
HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 3.

PHILADELPHIA, July 20th, 1896.

I. The following Commanderies having failed to comply with the Laws regulating Election of Officers, and neglected to forward the Annual Report, are hereby declared to be disbanded:

Marathon, No. 65, Pennsylvania,	St. George, No. 3, Delaware.
Union, No. 75, Pennsylvania,	Rescue, No. 4, Maryland,
Maryland, No. 3, Maryland,	Union City, No. 1, Indiana,
Delaware, No. 2, Delaware,	Colorado, No. 1, Colorado.

The warrants and books of above mentioned Commanderies, must be forwarded to the Adjutant General.

II. The posts of all officers whose commissions have expired are hereby declared vacant; those officers whose command were temporarily extended, are, under this Order, relieved from duty.

III. Elections are hereby ordered for Colonel and Lieutenant-Colonel in First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Regiments,

Division of Pennsylvania: First Regiment, Division of New Jersey, and for Lieutenant-Colonel in First (Provisional) Regiment, Division of Massachusetts. Also for Majors of Battalions, where Commissions have expired, or vacancies otherwise exist.

IV. All elections for Posts, the Commissions of which expired between January 1st, 1896, and the date of this Order, are understood to be for the unexpired term only, and the new Commissions will expire at same time as if elections had been held on the regular date.

V. The Commissioned officers of each Commandery attached to the Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Regiments of Pennsylvania, Provisional Regiment of Massachusetts, and First New Jersey Regiment, will forward to Colonel C. B. Wood, 814 North Broad Street, nominations for Colonel and Lieutenant-Colonel, who must be members of the Regiment for which they are nominated.

Nominations will close August 11th, 1896. The names placed in nomination will then be forwarded to each Company, with instructions as to method of voting.

The First Regiment, Ohio Division, will be exempt from this, as the Commissions are still in force.

The Provisional Regiment of Massachusetts, will nominate for Lieutenant-Colonel only.

VI. For the above purpose, the following assignment of Commanderies in Regimental and Battalion formation is announced, and former assignments, or detachments, in conflict with this are hereby revoked:

PENNSYLVANIA.

FIRST REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, West Philadelphia, No. 8,
Co. B, West Philadelphia, No. 8,
Co. C, West Philadelphia, No. 8,
Co. D, Wootton, No. 45.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Harris, No. 20,
Co. C, vacant,
Co. D, vacant.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Aurora, No. 15,
Co. B, Golden Crown, No. 51,
Co. C, Loyal Knights, No. 16,
Co. D, Adrian, No. 27.

SECOND REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, True Knights, No. 2,
Co. B, Crusaders, No. 78,
Co. C, vacant,
Co. D, Philadelphia, No. 9.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Ivanhoe, No. 26, Co. C, Red Cross, No. 11.
Co. B, Mt. Vernon, No. 68, Co. D, vacant.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Waverly, No. 12, Co. C, Germania, No. 82,
Co. B, Eagle Knights, 1, Co. D, vacant.

THIRD REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, Blue Cross, No. 5, Co. C, Raymond, No. 46,
Co. B, Lancaster, No. 77, Co. D, Coatesville, No. 87.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Cumberland Val'y, No. 109, Co. C, Harrisburg, No. 4,
Co. B, Moss Rose, No. 22, Co. D, Harmony, No. 39.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Mountain City, No. 3, Co. C, Gen. U. S. Grant, No. 28,
Co. B, Ellsworth, No. 17, Co. D, Mt. Eagle, No. 74.
Mahanoy City, No. 71, is temporarily attached to Third Battalion.

FOURTH REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, Keystone, No. 49, Co. C, St. Bernard, No. 6,
Co. B, Mt. Penn, No. 51, Co. D, Garfield, No. 50.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, St. Mary, No. 7, Co. C, Star, No. 24,
Co. B, Saucana, No. 48, Co. D, Golden Star, No. 60.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Mauch Chunk, No. 62, Co. C, Reynolds, No. 44,
Co. B, Major Klitz, No. 23, Co. D, Lafayette, No. 59.

FIFTH REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, St. Elmo, No. 30, Co. C, Crescent, No. 67,
Co. B, Bellefonte, No. 89, Co. D, Williamsport, No. 90.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Central, No. 85, Co. C, ———,
Co. B, Umbria, No. 79, Co. D, ———.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Blue Mountain, No. 76, Co. C, ———,
Co. B, Shamokin, No. 84, Co. D, ———.

SIXTH REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, Sheridan, No. 64, Co. C, Perry, No. 75,
Co. B, Saltsburg, No. 22, Co. D, Spencer, No. 80.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Pittsburg, No. 81,
Co. B, Manchester, No. 83,
Co. C, L. E. Stilz, No. 68,
Co. D, ———.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Eagle, No. 34,
Co. B, John L. Dawson, No. 70,
Co. C, ———,
Co. D, ———.

NEW JERSEY.

FIRST REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, Antioch, No. 14,
Co. B, Ocean, No. 3,
Co. C, Cyrene, No. 4,
Co. D, Sir Herbert, No. 8.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Crusaders, No. 1,
Co. B, True Knights, No. 2,
Co. C, Eureka, No. 11,
Co. D, Lafayette, No. 12.

THIRD BATTALION.

Co. A, Mercer, No. 6,
Co. B, Americus, No. 13,
Co. C, Neill Burgess, No. 8,
Co. D, Cross and Crown, No. 5.

MASSACHUSETTS.

FIRST (PROVISIONAL) REGIMENT—FIRST BATTALION.

Co. A, George Otis Wiley, No. 1,
Co. B, Lincoln, No. 3,
Co. C, Windsor, No. 7,
Co. D, vacant.

SECOND BATTALION.

Co. A, Essex, No. 5,
Co. B, General Warren, No. 6,
Co. C, Haselmere, No. 4,
Co. D, vacant.

VII. The following, having complied with the requirements, are hereby placed on the "Roll of Retired Officers," with rank as herewith given:

F. W. Hoffman, Pennsylvania, ex-Captain Blue Cross Commandery, rank of Captain.

J. W. Ogston, Colorado, ex-Aide-de-Camp General Staff, rank of Colonel.

By command of
HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

Official: ROBERT R. HODGE,
Adjutant General.

CORRECTIONS.

Eagle Knights, No. 1, has been assigned to the First Regiment.
Washington, No. 15, has been assigned to the Fourth Regiment.

GENERAL ORDER, NO. 4.

PHILADELPHIA, September 21st, 1896.

I. The Military Branch, Knights of the Golden Eagle, are hereby ordered to assemble for parade in the city of Reading, Pa., on Tuesday, October 13th, 1896, in honor of the Annual Session of the Supreme Castle.

II. The various Commands will assemble at 1.30 P. M. Column will move at 2 P. M. sharp.

III. The Division of Pennsylvania will form on North Fourth Street, in numerical order, right resting on Penn Street.

The Divisions of Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maine, Ohio and District of Columbia will form on South Fourth Street, right resting on Penn Street.

IV. Headquarters will be established at the Mansion House. Commands will report to the Adjutant General on their arrival.

V. The General Staff will report, mounted, at the Mansion House at 1.30 P. M.

VI. The parade will be reviewed by the Supreme Chief, Lieutenant General, and Chief Marshal, at the Mansion House.

Commissioned Officers and Members of the Military Branch desirous of parading, and the commands to which they are attached not being present, will report to the Adjutant General for assignment.

By command of

HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

Official: ROBERT R. HODGE,
Adjutant General.

To the Officers and Members of the Military Branch:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—As the date for the annual session of the Supreme Castle is drawing near, I desire to urge upon each of you the necessity for immediate action. Our displays in Pennsylvania have always been admired and favorably commented upon; let us this year outdo all our former efforts.

The members of the Supreme Castle, in selecting Reading for their meeting, recognized the fact that the city is one of the greatest parading centres in Pennsylvania. Other Orders have recently made fine displays there, and the citizens will expect still more from us. We must see that they are not disappointed, and at

the same time add new laurels to our well-deserved reputation as a parading organization. I therefore trust that the Military Branch will be present with full ranks, especially as matters vital to our interest will be considered during the session.

The Executive Committee have been untiring in their efforts, and they have been ably supported by the "Ladies of the Golden Eagle," who, with six large floats, will add materially to the beauty and effectiveness of the display.

A fare of one and one-third (on the certificate plan) has been granted by the railroad companies, under the following conditions:

REDUCTION IN FARE ON THE CERTIFICATE PLAN.

Instructions to Persons Attending the Meeting.

1. The reduction is to persons going to the meeting from New England Passenger Association territory; i. e., from points named herein.

2. The reduction is fare and a third, on Association's certificates, conditional on there being an attendance at the meeting of not less than 100 persons who have travelled thereto on some legitimate form of railroad transportation.

3. The reduction applies to persons starting from points named on the back hereof in New England Passenger Association territory by any of the lines named below. Each person availing of it will pay full first-class fare going to the meeting and get a certificate filled in on one side by the agent of whom the ticket is purchased. Agents at important stations and coupon ticket offices are supplied with certificates.

4. Certificates are not kept at all stations. If, however, the ticket agent at a local station is not supplied with certificates and through tickets to place of meeting, he can inform the delegate of the nearest important station where they can be obtained. In such a case the delegate should purchase a local ticket to such station and there take up his certificate and through ticket to place of meeting.

5. Going tickets, in connection with which certificates are issued for return, may be sold only within three days (Sunday excepted) prior to and during the continuance of the meeting, except that, when meetings are held at distant points to which the authorized limit is greater than three days, tickets may be sold before the meeting in accordance with the limits shown in regular tariffs.

6. Deposit the certificate with the secretary or other proper officer of the organization at the meeting, for necessary endorsement and vise of special agent.

7. Certificates are not transferable, and return tickets secured upon certificates are not transferable.

8. On presentation of the certificate, duly filled in on both sides, within three days (Sunday excepted) after the adjournment of the meeting, the ticket agent at the place of meeting will return the holder to starting-point, by the route over which the going journey was made, at one-third the highest limited fare by same route, the minimum rate for return tickets being fifty cents. The return tickets will in all cases be closely limited to continuous passage to destination.

9. No refund of fare will be made on account of any person failing to obtain a certificate.

The General Committee at Reading announce the following prizes:

1st Prize. $100 in gold to the Commandery making the finest appearance while in line of parade. Points to be considered: Number of men, appearance, equipments and movements while in line of parade.

2d Prize. Silver water service, valued at $50, to the Commandery making second best appearance, same points to be considered as first prize. (Donated by G. A. Schlechter.)

3d Prize. $50 to the Commandery coming greatest distance with not less than twenty-two men in line of parade.

4th Prize. To the best drilled Commandery a solid gold medal, beautifully engraved. (Donated by Chas. Wilson.)

5th Prize. To the second best drilled Commandery, a handsome silver cup, suitably engraved. (Donated by C. M. Evans.)

6th Prize. To the third best drilled Commandery, a handsome U. S. regulation flag. (Donated by J. Geo. Hintz.)

7th Prize. $50 to the Castle with largest number of men and making finest appearance in line of parade.

8th Prize. Solid silver cup, valued at $25, to the Castle in Berks County parading with the largest percentage of its members. (*Reading Eagle* prize.)

9th Prize. Handsome silk plush altar cloth, embroidered in gold bullion, with the emblems, name and number of the Temple embroidered thereon, to the Temple turning out the largest percentage of its members in line of parade. (Donated by Louis E. Stilz & Bro., Philadelphia, Pa.)

10th Prize. Handsome silk flag, to the Temple in Reading making finest appearance in line of parade. (Donated by I. Rambo & Son.)

No prize will be awarded to Commanderies, Castles or Temples in Reading except prize No. 10.

Following are the Chairmen of the Sub-Committees: Music, John P. Luft, 1221 Spruce Street; Entertainment, R. A. Townsend, 34 North Tenth Street; Hotels, H. B. Till, 144 South Twelfth Street; Horses and Carriages, L. K. Tomlinson, 125 South Fifth Street, who will cheerfully answer all inquiries.

Good riding horses can be secured for the parade at $2.00 each.

Reading's hotel accommodations are of the best; terms reasonable, and centrally located. The following hotel rates have been secured:

Mansion House	$2.75	Hotel Penn	2.00
Central House	2.50	Hamilton House	1.75
Groff's Crystal Palace	2.00	Berks County House	1.50
American House	2.00	Merchants' Hotel	1.50
Schwartz's Hotel	$1.50 to 2.00	Lafayette Hotel	1.50
St. James Hotel	1.50	Krebs' Hotel	1.50
Woodval Inn	1.50	City Hotel	1.50
Lancaster Hotel	1.50	Continental Hotel	1.25
Lochiel Hotel	1.50	Dengler's Hotel	1.25
Union House	1.50	National Hotel	$1.00 to 1.25
Allen House	1.50	Eighth Avenue Hotel	1.00
U. S. Hotel	1.50	Raiger's Hotel	1.00
Reading House	1.50		

Fraternally yours in F. V. and H.,

HARRY P. REINICKE,
Lieutenant General.

VISITATIONS.

Attended the dedication of the Grand Castle Hall of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, November 9, 1895, in company with the Supreme Chief, A. C. Lyttle.

The parade in honor of the dedication was a very fine one; it took place at night. The following members of the Military Branch took part.

First Division.

First Brigade.

First Regiment—Colonel John M. Mitchell.

Staff—Lieutenant Colonel A. C. Armbruster, Adjutant William J. Wilson, Sergeant Major George N. Waltz.

Germania Band.

Major John C. Wright.

West Philadelphia Commandery, No. 8, Co. A, Captain D. E. Dickinson.

West Philadelphia Commandery, No. 8, Co. B, Captain I. H. Worrell.

Wootten Commandery, No. 45, Captain Chas. H. Carpenter.

Harris Commandery, No. 20, Captain E. H. Dooley.

Waverly Commandery, No. 13, Captain G. Harlow Lampden.

Eagle Knights Commandery, No. 1, Captain Albert Thompson.

Adrian Commandery, No. 27, Lieutenant Thos. M. Bishop.

Second Regiment—Colonel Austin Long.

Staff—Lieutenant Colonel Chas. A. Rossler, Adjutant Lewis G. Carey, Quartermaster I. M. Miller, Surgeon R. W. B. Cornelius, M. D., Sergeant Major G. Elmer Wannop.

Major Jos. DeG. Andrews.

True Knights Commandery, No. 2, Captain Geo. W. Heinicke.

Crusaders Commandery, No. 78, Captain W. S. Quay.

Philadelphia Commandery, No. 9, Captain Thos. M. Richards.

Major C. H. Marron.

Red Cross Commandery, No. 11, Captain Jos. S. Garwood.

Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 26, Captain Lewis C. Lowry.

Mt. Vernon Commandery, No. 68, Captain Chas. T. Wilson.

Commanderies of the Second Brigade, Major D. E. Griffiths.

Reynold's Commandery, No. 44, of Pottstown.

Lafayette Commandery, No. 59, of Royersford, Captain William Jaques.

Commanderies of New Jersey.

Commanderies of Delaware.

Carriages containing Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle, Lieutenant General Harry P. Reinicke and Ex-Lieutenant General Louis E. Stiltz, accompanied by Military Branch Officials.

The following members of my Staff were present: Inspector General J. D. Barnes, Major Generals Jacob H. Aull and Maurice C. Stafford, Adjutant General Robert R. Hodge, Quartermaster General Timothy McCarthy, Surgeon General James E. Whiteford, M. D., and Colonels C. B. Wood, Judson Kerr, Davis Casselberry, Edward S. Johnson, M. D., William H. Irwin, William P. Fowler, A. Howard Duckett, William H. Keeler, James E. Highley, William C. Hunter and Garrett S. Smith.

December 3, 1895. Visited Baltimore Commandery in company with P. S. C. Jacob H. Aull.

January 30, 1896, visited True Knights Commandery, No. 2, at Palmyra, N. J., in company with Adjutant General R. R. Hodge and Asst. Adj. Genl. C. B. Wood. Our visit has benefited the Commandery.

February 17. Visited Altoona, Pa., in company with Grand Chief Jenkin Hill, of Pennsylvania, to complete arrangements for the session of the Grand Castle in May. Had the pleasure of meeting our Supreme Chief, A. C. Lyttle, there.

February 21. Attended the special session of the Grand Castle of New Jersey at Trenton, in company with the Supreme Chief, A. C. Lyttle, P. S. C. J. D. Barnes and P. G. C. Jos. Arnold.

March 2. Visited Apollo Castle, of Wilmington, Del., accompanied by Asst. Adj. Genl. C. B. Wood, Col. Judson Kerr and W. L. Wilson.

A meeting had been called by the G. M. of R, C. H. Hudson, of the members of the M. B., to revive the interest in the same. Had the pleasure of meeting S. V. C. Wm. O. Brown, P. S. C. Thos. Birchall and P. G. Chiefs John Aspril, Garrett S. Smith, Chas. H. Hudson. I believe much good will result from the visit. Warrant for new Commandery has since been issued.

April 5. Visited the session of the Grand Castle of Delaware, in company with Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle, S. M. of R. Wm. Culbertson and P. S. C. Jacob H. Aull, of Maryland.

April 18. Accompanied Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle and S. M. of R. Wm. Culbertson to Reading, Pa., to meet the General Committee on Demonstration in October.

April 26. Attended the funeral of Colonel Wm. Keeler, of my Staff, formerly Colonel of the Third Regiment. The Military Branch made a good display. Colonel Keeler was an active worker for the Order.

May 12. Attended the session of the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania, at Altoona, Pa. The parade in connection with the same was a grand success, 2,000 Sir Knights being in line. It was the largest and finest parade ever held in this city by any Order. It is the home of our Supreme Chief, and his untiring efforts had much to do with its suceess. Much credit is due to the Local Committee:

Advance Guard of Policemen, consisting of Officers Rupert, Ebbs, Baird, Pierpoint, Young, Watson, Howell, Stevens, under the command of the Sergeant.

Advance guard of eight Knights.

Chief Marshall Burchfield and Staff.

Local Committee of Arrangements.

Altoona City Band.

First Division.

Major General Steinbach and Staff.

Company B, First Regiment, of Philadelphia.

Logan Band.
Blue Cross Commandery, of Lancaster.
Lumber City Commandery, of Williamsport.
Crescent Commandery, of Lock Haven.
St. Mary's Commandery, of Allentown.
Elmo Commandery, of Altoona.
City Band, of Huntingdon.
Standing Stone Castle, of Huntingdon.
Huntingdon Commandery.
Mounted Knights,
Drum Corps.
Bellefonte Castle.
Bellefonte Cadets.
Mounted Knights.
Supreme Chief Lyttle and other distinguished Officers in carriages.

SECOND DIVISION.

Marshall J. O. Lutz and staff.
Representatives to the Grand Castle and Grand Castle Officers in carriages.

THIRD DIVISION.

Marshall J. P. Lafferty and Staff.
Juniata Band.
Fidelity Castle, of Philadelphia.
St. Victor Castle, of Philadelphia.
Sinking Valley Castle, of Sinking Valley.
G. W. Weaver Castle, of Newry.
Blair Castle, of Duncansville.
Jefferson Castle, of Delancey.
Lee Mount Castle, of Delancey.
Elmo Castle, of Altoona.
Black Raven Castle, of Keystone Hill.
Boys' Brigade.
Altoona Castle, of Altoona.
Centennial Castle, of Altoona.
Vigilant Castle, of Altoona.
Float representing the Conferring of a degree in the Temple Branch.
Float representing the conferring of a degree in a Castle in the olden times.
Sisters of the Temple in carriages.
The route as advertised was crowded along the entire line.

There were only two entries in the competitive drill of the Knights of the Golden Eagle at the cricket grounds yesterday afternoon. They were Company B, of Philadelphia, and St. Mary's Commandery, of Allentown. Both did so finely that the judges, Capt. W. C. Westfall, H. E. Long and Lieutenant Miller had to decide a nice point in awarding the prizes. They finally decided that the first prize, $200, should go to the Allentown Commandery, and the second prize, $150, to the Philadelphia Company. The rain began falling just as the Knights closed their work. Several thousand people witnessed the drill.

Dame Nature was very kind to the Golden Eagles in which she kept back the heavy shower, which fell later, from falling upon the hundreds who came from a distance to take part in the parade. Over 2,000 Members of the Order were in the long line.

The shower of Monday evening had made the air somewhat cooler and to a certain extent laid the dust, which, without it, would have been an intolerable nuisance.

Have paid visits to many places in the interest of the Military Branch, and believe some good has resulted by these visits.

The correspondence has been very heavy, but if it will accomplish the desired result it is all I desire.

Approved the By-laws of De Graff Commandery, No. 13, of Ohio.

WARRANTS.

Warrants have been granted to the following Commanderies:

New Commandery, Gen. Arthur St. Clair, No. 91, Pennsylvania Division, October 19, 1895.

Antioch, No. 14, New Jersey, December 7, 1895.

Star of the West, No. 93, Pennsylvania, March 4, 1896.

Silver State, No. 1, Colorado, March 23, 1896.

Delaware, No. 1, Delaware, June 30, 1896.

Anchor, No. 14, Ohio, October 3, 1896.

The applications for new Commanderies have been very few, but quite a number are under way.

The following Commanderies have had their warrants revoked:

Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 1, Union City, Indiana.

Colorado Commandery, No. 1, Denver City, Colorado.

Marathon Commandery, No. 65, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Union Commandery, No. 75, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Maryland Commandery, No. 3, Baltimore, Md.

Rescue Commandery, No. 4, Baltimore, Md.

Delaware Commandery, No. 2, Wilmington, Del.

St. George Commandery, No. 3, Wilmington, Del.

I have abstained from asking the Supreme Chief to revoke warrants, and it has only been done in extreme cases, trusting the near future would help them to gain strength and renewed activity.

Many who have been inactive have again assumed the armor, and many more, I trust, will follow.

I found it absolutely necessary to make a new assignment of the Commanderies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, which was completed when order No. 3 was issued.

When the time arrived for the election of Division, Brigade, Regimental and Battalion officers, whose commissions had expired, to give me time to make a new assignment and to give the Committee on Revision of Law and Degree of Chivalry an opportunity to see what the commander wanted, the order for elections was withheld with the consent of the Supreme Chief, and the officers were permitted to hold over until further orders.

As soon as the returns from the circular dated February 24th, 1896, were received, the Committee decided to recommend the retention of the Regimental formation, and I therefore immediately issued General Order, No. 3.

The following circular was sent to every Commandery by request of the Committee, enclosing a printed postal card, so as to get the views of each Commandery:

HEADQUARTERS MILITARY BRANCH,

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL,

PHILADELPHIA, February, 24, 1896.

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER:—Your special attention and prompt response to this circular request is desired, inasmuch as the replies received will have a most important effect upon the future of the Military Branch. The changes proposed are of vital importance, and, if adopted, the Military Branch will, we are confident, enter upon such a career of usefulness as will eclipse the glorious successes of the past. We trust, therefore, that you will, at the very earliest available moment, have this circular read to your Company in open meeting, and advise me as to their views thereon.

At the last session of the Supreme Castle, a Committee consisting of J. D. Barnes, Inspector General; Harry P. Reinicke, Lieutenant General, and C. B. Wood, Assistant Adjutant General, was appointed "to revise the Laws of the Military Branch, in which shall be embodied the necessary laws for the proper working of a Chivalric Degree." This Committee has agreed upon the following changes,

and has deemed it advisable to ascertain the sense of the various Commanderies and Companies regarding them before concluding their work. The desire of the Committee is to submit to the Supreme Castle such laws and recommendations as will meet with the hearty approval of our members and result in increased interest and activity in the Military Branch.

In this connection, among others, the following have been named as causes which prevent the complete sucess desired:

First. The Military Branch is overburdened with officers, whose number, in many instances, almost equal their subordinates.

Second. There is too much "red tape" in the conduct of its business.

Third. There is an absence of genuine interest, because of the want of attraction aside from drills and parades.

Fourth. That just when a Commandery has its full complement of fifty uniformed members the interest seems to decline rather than increase.

Fifth. That Battalions, Regiments, Brigades and Divisions are useless, and therefore unnecessary.

To overcome these and other objections, the Committee proposes:

A. That the Degree of Chivalry for the Military Branch shall constitute the Civil Commandery.

B. That initiation in the Degree of Chivalry shall be essential to membership in the Military Branch.

C. That the clerical and relief business shall be conducted by the Civil Department.

D. That the Military Department shall attend to drills, parades, etc.

E. That the membership of Commanderies be unlimited, and that as many of the members as possible become fully equipped for the Military Department; but to become a member of a Commandery it shall not be deemed necessary to be active in the Military Department. It is hoped and expected that a greater number of Sir Knights will thus be induced to connect themselves with the Commanderies and interest themselves in the military feature of our Order.

F. Meetings of Commanderies to be held semi-monthly or monthly, at the option of each Commandery.

G. That the officers of the Civil Department (to be elected annually) be not necessarily officers of the Military Department.

H. Battalions, Regiments, Brigades and Divisions to be abolished.

I. Grand Commanderies to be instituted in jurisdictions where five or more Commanderies exist, and that Commanderies, being self-sustaining, bear the same relative position to the Grand Commandery as Castles do to Grand Castles. The session of the Grand Commandery to be held at the same time and place as the Grand Castle.

K. All commissioned officers and all retired officers in good standing to become members of Grand Commanderies.

L. That the Degree of Chivalry be as inexpensive as possible in regard to paraphernalia, but be made as attractive as possible otherwise.

M. That Commanderies be made beneficial (sick and death benefits) at the option of each Commandery.

The Military Branch will remain under the control of the Supreme Castle, as the supreme head of the Order, with the Supreme Chief and Lieutenant General bearing the same relations thereto as at present.

Many other improvements, no doubt, will be suggested in the replies from the Commanderies.

It is believed by the Committee that these salient features will prove effective in strengthening the Military Branch and the Order generally, and will be the means of inducing many Sir Knights to join Commanderies for the purpose of increasing their insurance investments in the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and thus avoid the necessity of connecting themselves with several organizations.

If your Commandery or Company approves of these proposed changes in the Laws governing the Military Branch, urge upon its members the beginning of an early crusade in the various Castles, so that when the proper time comes we may be prepared to institute the various Commanderies with a largely increased membership. The said institution ceremonies will not affect the present warrant, name or number of any existing Commandery, as the ceremony is merely to illustrate the new ritual.

Bring out all points referred to, and kindly communicate to me, on the enclosed addressed postal card, the result of the meeting, as promptly as possible.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

HARRY P. REINICKE,

Lieutenant General.

Postal Card Replies to Circular dated February 24, 1896.

NAME.	Nos.	State	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.	H.	J.	K.	L.	M.
Eagle Knights	1	Pa.	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Harrisburg	4	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Blue Cross	5	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
St. Bernard	6	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
St. Mary	7	"	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
West Philadelphia, Co. A	8	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West Philadelphia, Co. B	8	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Philadelphia	9	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Red Cross	11	"	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waverly	13	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Washington	15	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ellsworth	17	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Major Klotz	23	"	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Elmo	30	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reynolds	44	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wooten	45	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Raymond	46	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saucana	48	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Golden Crown	57	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lafayette	59	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Sheridan	64	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mt. Vernon	68	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mt. Eagle	74	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lancaster	77	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spencer	80	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Germania	82	"	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shamokin	84	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coatesville	87	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Williamsport	90	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baltimore	1	Md.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Eagle	4	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cincinnati	1	Ohio	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Springfield	2	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logan	3	"	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Cœur de Lion	7	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Auburn	2	Md.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lincoln	3	Mass.	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Nutmeg	1	Conn.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Crusaders	1	N. J.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
True Knights	2	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Antioch	14	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Postal Card Replies to Circular dated February 24, 1896.—Cotinued.

NAME.	Nos.	STATE.	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.	H.	J.	K.	L.	M.
Harmony	39	Pa.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gem City	10	Ohio.	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Ensign	3	W. Va.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ivanhoe	1	Miss.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mozart	1	Mo.	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Silver State	1	Col.	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marapo a	4	Kan.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The result nets as follows:														
Yes			41	42	39	43	41	41	36	32	39	41	43	42
No			7	6	9	5	7	7	12	16	9	7	5	6

My first annual report does not show any great success accomplished, but I feel that the coming year will show a vast improvement.

If the changes contemplated by the Committee will meet with your approval I believe the Military Branch will have a success greater than ever. Before closing, I wish to thank the officers of the Supreme Castle, the members of my Staff and the many officers and members of the Castles and Commanderies for their courtesy and assistance.

Yours in F., V. and H.,

HARRY P. REINICKE,

Lieutenant General.

REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL.

BALTIMORE, MD., September 21, 1896.

Harry P. Reinicke, Lieutenant General.

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER:—I attended the parade in Washington, D. C., at the Supreme Castle session last October, in my official capacity. A few members of the Supreme Castle and members of the Order received my professional services during the session.

Respectfully submitted, in F., V. and H.,

JAMES E. WHITEFORD, M. D.,

Surgeon General.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

READING, October 13, 1896.

Harry P. Reinicke, Lieutenant General.

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER:—Herewith find an apology for a report, its condition being due to neglect of the Assistant Inspector Generals to comply with Section 5, Article VI., of the Military Branch Laws, to inspect and send a report by February 1.

The law is very plain. It says: "Assistant Inspector Generals shall make a thorough inspection of the Brigades to which they are attached, every year, and shall make a written report to his commanding officer of the number reporting for duty, condition, discipline and efficiency of the different Commanderies of his Brigade, and shall furnish a copy of said report to the Inspector General on the first day of February of each year, or within ten days thereafter; and shall make such other reports relative to the condition and efficiency of his departments as may be ordered from time to time

by the Inspector General. He shall be held responsible for the proper equipment, uniform and tactical instruction of the Commanderies within his jurisdiction."

Thus two reports are to be made. If we do not receive one, it is but natural to infer that an inspection has not been held; yet we have attended, but received no report. If the same has occurred, the Commanding Officer would surely receive one, but if we do not receive a copy, the failure is equally the fault of the Commanding Officer as well as the Assistant Inspector General, as the former should know that the latter has performed his duty.

It is time that more discipline should exist in the entire Military Branch and among all of its officials. Some few are deserving of compliment, but the easy style of others retard the growth and popularity of the Military Branch. It is not necessary to be arbitrary or dictatorial, but with firm persuasion much can be accomplished.

The following reports were received up to date, the name of the Assistant Inspector General being given:

PENNSYLVANIA.

No. 1. Wm. H. Stetser, Lieutenant Colonel.
No. 5. Henry Smeych, Colonel.
No. 15. D. Evans Griffith, Major.
No. 27. Thomas M. Bishop, Lieutenant.
No. 44. D. Evans Griffith, Major.
No. 59. D. Evans Griffith, Major.
No. 67. Geo. B. Warner, Captain.
No. 71. John C. Kalbach, Captain.
No. 76. Calvin E. Hicks, Captain.
No. 90. Lee R. McVoge, Captain.
Bellefonte. H. S. Taylor, Captain.

FLORIDA.

No. 1. E. Goehring, Colonel.

MASSACHUSETTS.

No. 1. R. H. Cutcliffe, Major.
No. 2. R. H. Cutcliffe, Major.
No. 4. Henry F. Logan, Major.
No. 5. Henry F. Logan, Major.
No. 6. Henry F. Logan, Major.
No. 7. R. H. Cutcliffe, Major.

MAINE.

No. 2. W. A. Paul, Lieutenant.

MISSOURI.

No. 1. F. W. Danne, Captain.

NEW JERSEY.

No. 2. A. N. Troth, Captain.

OHIO.

No. 1. Geo. Flath, Major.
No. 2. E. C. Anderson, Major.
No. 3. E. C. Anderson, Major.
No. 4. Jas. F. Hayes, Captain.
No. 8. A. M. Carson, Lieutenant Colonel.
No. 9. Geo. B. Ely, Major.
No. 10. Geo. Flath, Major.
No. 11. E. C. Anderson, Major.
No. 12. A. M. Carson, Lieutenant Colonel.

WISCONSIN.

No. 1. G. E. Walter, Colonel.

WEST VIRGINIA.

No. 1. H. L. Minsker, Captain.
No. 2. L. P. Creekbaum, Colonel.

Thanks are extended to the above for the reports.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

J. D. BARNES.
Inspector General.

REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 29, 1896.

HARRY P. REINICKE, *Lieutenant-General.*

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER;—I herewith submit the following report of the Military Branch for the fiscal year closed:

RECEIPTS

From warrants and commissions	$194 00	
From sale of supplies	87 00	
		$281 00

Three dozen Drill Manuals on hand.

EXPENDITURES.

Expended as per orders 1 to 28 (inclusive)	$663 85
Leaving a deficit of	$382 85
Number of Commanderies at last report	136
Organized during the year	5
	141
Number of Commanderies disbanded during the year	8
Present Number of Commanderies	133

The following Commanderies have failed to comply with Article V., Section 2, of Laws governing the Military Branch, no reports having been received from them:

West Philadelphia No. 8 (Co. A), Pennsylvania.
Waverly, No. 13, Pennsylvania.
Keystone, No. 49, Pennsyvania.
Mt. Penn, No. 51, Pennsylvania.
Saucana, No. 48, Pennsylvania.
Star, No. 24, Pennsylvania.
Cumberland Valley, No. 109, Pennsylvania.
Harrisburg, No. 4, Pennsylvania.
Ellsworth, No. 17, Pennsylvania.
Mayor Klotz, No. 23, Pennsylvania.
U. S. Grant, No. 28, Pennsylvania.
Umbria, No. 70, Pennsylvania.
Mt. Eagle, No. 74, Pennsylvania.
Coatesville, No. 87, Pennsylvania.
Golden Star, No. 60, Pennsylvania.
Saltsburg, No. 22, Pennsylvania.
Perry, No. 73, Pennsylvania.
Manchester, No. 83, Pennsylvania.
L. E. Stilz, No. 96, Pennsylvania.
Ocean, No. 3, New Jersey.
Cyrene, No. 4, New Jersey.
Sir Herbert, No. 8, New Jersey.
Neill Burgess, New Jersey.
Eureka, No. 11, New Jersey.
Lafayette, No. 12, New Jersey.
America, No. 3, District of Columbia.
Potomac, No. 4, District of Columbia.
Wheeling, No. 2, West Virginia.
Old Dominion, No. 1, Virginia.
Forest City, No. 1, Georgia.

Savannah, No. 2, Georgia.
Irving Kelly, No. 5, Georgia.
Detroit, No. 1, Michigan.
Ivanhoe, No. 1, Wisconsin.
Key of the Gulf, No. 1, Florida.
Hamilton, No. 5, Ohio.
General Sheridan, No. 6, Ohio.
Ivanhoe, No. 1, New Hampshire.
Nathaniel Low, No. 2, New Hampshire.
Topeka, No. 2, Kansas.
Salina, No. 3, Kansas.
Kansas, No. 4, Kansas.

The following new Commanderies have been instituted during the year:

General Arthur St. Clair, No. 91, Pennsylvania.
Antioch, No. 14, New Jersey.
Star of the West, No 93, Pennsylvania.
Silver State, No. 1, Colorado.
Delaware, No. 1, Delaware.

The following were disbanded for neglecting to pay Commission fees, failure to forward reports, and general neglect of orders:

Marathon, No. 65, Pennsylvania.
Union, No. 17, Pennsylvania.
Maryland, No. 3, Maryland.
Rescue, No. 4, Maryland.
Delaware No. 2, Delaware.
St. George, No. 3, Delaware.
Ivanhoe, No. 1, Indiana.
Colorado, No. 1, Colorado.

The reports which should reach me by February 1st of each year have been coming in at different periods up to September 23d, on which date one was received from a near-by Commandery. I have been asked for a printed roster. The difficulty of keeping a roster can be judged from this statement of the negligence of company officers in forwarding annual reports. The delayed regimental elections also would render a roster at this time very incomplete, as I have not been notified of the several appointments. As soon as the various regiments where elections have lately been held are complete, I will furnish a roster, complete as my information goes, to the commanding officer of each regiment.

Financially, the past year has been a bad one, but as the greater part of the commissions expire next spring, we will undoubtedly make a much better showing at the close of another year.

Fraternally yours in F. V. and H.,
ROBT. R. HODGE,
Adjutant General.

REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., September 26, 1896.

H. P. REINICKE, *Lieutenant General,*
Military Branch K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHT AND BROTHER:—I respectfully submit the following report of my receipts and expenditures as Quartermaster General for the term just ended:

Received from Adjutant General Hodge	$281 00
Received from Supreme Keeper of Exchequer	382 85
	$663 85
Paid Orders, Nos. 1 to 28, inclusive	663 85

Following are the receipts and expenditures in detail:

DR.				CR.			
1895.				1895.			
Oct. 18.	To cash,	Adjt. Gen.,	$23 00	Oct. 18.	By cash,	Order 1,	$11 00
Nov. 30.	"	"	15 00	Oct. 18.	"	" 2,	3 00
Dec. 4.	"	"	5 00	Nov. 16.	"	" 3,	14 50
Dec. 31.	"	"	11 00	Nov. 16.	"	" 4,	50 00
1896.				Nov. 16.	"	" 5,	8 70
Feb. 28.	"	"	57 50	Dec. 14.	"	" 6,	36 50
Mar. 21.	"	"	5 00	Dec. 14.	"	" 7,	42 50
Apr. 22.	"	"	21 50	Der. 14.	"	" 8,	3 25
July 6.	"	"	18 00	Dec. 14.	"	" 9,	16 00
July 13.	"	"	5 00	Dec. 26.	"	" 11,	3 75
Sept. 26.	"	"	120 00	1896.			
Sept. 26.	Supreme K. of E.,		382 85	Jan. 7.	"	" 10,	100 00
				Jan. 23.	"	" 12,	22 50
				Feb. 28.	"	" 13,	9 00
				Feb. 28.	"	" 14,	3 50
				Feb. 28.	"	" 15,	8 50
				Apr. 22.	"	" 16,	11 50
				Apr. 25.	"	" 17,	25 00
				May 28.	"	" 18,	75 00
				July 24.	"	" 20,	14 10
				July 25.	"	" 19,	12 50
				Sept. 24.	"	" 21,	15 75
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Fraternally submitted,

TIMOTHY McCARTHY,
Quartermaster General.

The Supreme Chief announced the following special Committees on the respective reports:

On Supreme Chief's Report—P. G. C. Moore, of Ohio; P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, and P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania.

On Supreme Master of Records and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer's Report—P. S. C. Koch, of Connecticut; P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, and P. G. C. Parks, of New Jersey.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that in the event of no parade to-day (on account of the heavy rain), that the Supreme Castle assemble at 2.30 o'clock, and continue in session until 6 o'clock, and that the hours of meeting of the Supreme Castle on the following days be from 9 A. M. to 12 M. and 2 to 6 P. M., and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the report of the Committee on Law be approved and an appropriation of $3.44 made to pay the bill presented by the Committee, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Credentials and Returns submitted the following report:

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Committee on Credentials and Returns have examined the credentials submitted to them and find the following Past Grand Chiefs entitled to admission:

MARYLAND—William R. Smiley.
PENNSYLVANIA—Jenkin Hill.
MASSACHUSETTS—John B. Roberts.
DELAWARE—Harry Whiteman and James H. Pierson.
NEW JERSEY—Walter A. Barrows, John C. J. Trachsel.

West Virginia—S. H. Clay.
District of Columbia—Henry T. Adams and George A. Warren.
Connecticut—Joseph P. Dickinson.
Kentucky—A. G. Berry and George B. Carter.
California—Daniel N. Hanna.
Michigan—James Trebilcock.
Colorado—E. F. Lake.
Indiana—W. S. Harrison, Frank Middleton and John R. Page.
Maine—John H. Henry and James P. Hutchinson.

We also find the following Past Grand Chiefs have been regularly elected Representatives to the Supreme Castle from their respective Grand Castles, and recommend their acknowledgment as such:

Maryland—William R. Smiley.
Pennsylvania—Charles B. Wood.
Massachusetts—John B. Roberts.
Delaware—Albert Lynam.
New Jersey—Walter A. Barrows.
West Virginia—L. P. Creekbaum.
District of Columbia—Henry T. Adams.
Ohio—E. V. Moore.
Connecticut—Joseph P. Dickinson.
Kentucky—Eli W. Le Feber.
California—W. A. Lewis.
Michigan—Charles H. Gale.
Colorado—A. McDonald.
Indiana—Cyrus Moore.
Maine—George E. McCann.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. HIGHLEY,
R. W. MACCUBBIN,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE,
Committee on Credentials.

P. G. C. Parks, of New Jersey, moved that the report be received, the Past Grand Chiefs entitled be admitted, and the Representatives named therein be acknowledged as such, and the motion was adopted.

The Supreme Sir Herald then introduced the following Past Grand Chiefs, who were duly admitted and took their seats as members of the Supreme Castle:

William R. Simley, of Maryland.
Jenkin Hill, of Pennsylvania.
John B. Roberts, of Massachusetts.
James H. Pierson, of Delaware.
Walter A. Barrows, of New Jersey.
Henry T. Adams, of District of Columbia.
Joseph P. Dickinson, of Connecticut.
A. McDonald, of Colorado.
James Patchell, of Indiana.
Cyrus Moore, of Indiana.
George E. McCann, of Maine.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the members of the Supreme Castle attend the exemplification of the ritual of the Degree of Chivalry on Wednesday evening, and it was agreed to.

P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland, moved that the nomination and election of Officers for the ensuing term be made the special order of business for 2.30 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Degree of Chivalry be made the special order of business for 9 o'clock on Thursday morning, and it was agreed to.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that the report of the Committee on Finance and Mileage be made the special order of business for 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning, and it was agreed to.

The following invitation from the General Committee on Reception was read:

READING, PA., October 12, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief and Members of the Supreme Castle:

You are cordially invited to participate in the Demonstration and Parade of the Order on Tuesday afternoon, October 13th, at 2 o'clock.

By order of the Committee.

CAPTAIN WM. H. HOUCK.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the invitation be accepted, and the thanks of the Supreme Castle returned to the Committee, and the motion was unanimously adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the courtesy be extended to the Officers of the Grand Castles, who are present in the city to view the exemplification of the Degree of Chivalry on Wednesday evening, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to take a recess until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, subject to the resolution previously approved, and the motion was adopted.

The hour of 12.45 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess in accordance with the above resolution.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Supreme Castle reconvened pursuant to recess, at 2.40 o'clock, P. M., the Supreme Officers at their respective posts, and a quorum of Past Chiefs present.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved that the report of the Committee on Printing be accepted, and that an appropriation of $132 be made to pay the bill presented by the Committee, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances presented a supplemental report, as follows:

READING, PA., October 12th, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers, and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, beg leave to offer this as an additional report.

We have tried the following cases:

S. W. Kirk vs. Moro Castle, No. 163, of Pennsylvania, in which the Castle was sustained.

Boquet Spring Castle, No. 308, of Pennsylvania, vs. Porter G. Stauffer, in which the Castle was sustained.

Walter T. Jackson vs. Reliance Castle, No. 23, of Jacksontown, Md., in which the Castle was sustained.

The expenses of the Committee are as follows:

Postage and Stationery	$6 85
Hotel	20 00
	$26 85

Fraternally yours, in F., V. and H.,

JACOB H. AULL,
E. V. MOORE,
J. E. HIGHLEY,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE.

Recommendation: We beg to recommend that hereafter all matter submitted to this Committee be typewritten.

READING, PA., October 12th, 1896.

A. C. LYTTLE, *Supreme Chief:*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, in the case of S. W. Kirk vs. Moro Castle, No. 163, of Pennsylvania, beg leave to submit to you our decision.

The evidence shows that Brother S. W. Kirk was, at the time of his being reported sick, in arrears for dues. The Brother claims that the Clerk of Exchequer did not notify him when he became thirteen weeks in arrears, but we find that the Constitution of the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania says that the Clerk of Exchequer shall notify all members thirteen weeks in arrears at the end of the quarter, or three months.

We, therefore, sustain the decision of Moro Castle, No. 163, of Pennsylvania. The Brother was in arrears and not entitled to benefits.

JACOB H. AULL,
E. V. MOORE,
J. E. HIGHLEY,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE.

READING, PA., October 12th, 1896.

A. C. LYTTLE, *Supreme Chief:*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, in the case of Boquet Spring Castle, No. 308, of Pennsylvania, vs. Porter G. Stauffer, beg leave to submit to you our decision, viz.: That Boquet Spring Castle be sustained, and that we do not consider Brother Porter G. Stauffer entitled to benefits.

JACOB H. AULL,
E. V. MOORE,
J. E. HIGHLEY,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE.

READING, PA., October 12th, 1896.

A. C. LYTTLE, *Supreme Chief:*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, in the case of Walter T. Jackson vs. Reliance Castle, No. 23, of Jacksontown, Md., beg leave to submit to you our decision, viz.: That Reliance Castle be sustained, and that Brother Jackson is not entitled to benefits.

J. E. HIGHLEY,
E. V. MOORE,
F. L. TROWBRIDGE.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the reports be received and the cases considered *seriatim*, and the motion was adopted.

The report on the case of T. S. Bagley vs. the Noble Chief of Denver Castle, No. 7, Coloraro, was read, when P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, moved that it be approved as read, and it was agreed to.

The report in the case of Vineland Castle, No. 46, of New Jersey, vs. Carlisle Castle, No. 110, of Pennsylvania, was read, when P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts moved that it be approved as read.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, moved that it be recommitted to the Committee.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, raised the following points of order:

First. That the committee had not given each party the ten days' notice as required by Article III, Section 3, of the Code of Laws.

Second. That the decision of the Committee had not been approved by the Supreme Chief.

The Supreme Chief decided the points well taken.

P. G. C. Parks, of New Jersey, moved that it be recommitted to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances to rehear the case, and it was agreed to.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that it be heard on Thursday afternoon, and it was agreed to.

The report of the Committee in the case of S. W. Kirk vs. Moro Castle, No. 163, of Pennsylvania, was read, when P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be recommitted, and it was not agreed to.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, moved that it be approved, and it was agreed to.

Report of the Committee in the case of Boquet Spring Castle, No. 308, of Pennsylvania, vs. Porter G. Stauffer, was then read.

P. G. C. Robertson, of New Jersey, moved that it be adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, submitted the following question:

Is it the sense of the Supreme Castle that when an appeal in case of benefits or charges is taken by a Grand Castle that the Grand Castle can be represented by counsel?

The Supreme Chief answered as follows:

That when an appeal is taken by a Subordinate Castle from the Grand Castle, they have a right to be heard before the Grand Castle by counsel, and if the action of the Grand Castle is not satisfactory and an appeal taken to the Supreme Castle, the Grand Castle has a right to defend itself before the Committee.

The motion of P. G. C. Robertson was then adopted.

Report of Committee in the case of Walter T. Jackson vs. Reliance Castle, No. 23, of Maryland was read, when

P. G. C. Adams, of District of Columbia, moved that it be approved, and it was agreed to.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that an appropriation of $26.85 be made to pay the bill presented by the Committee, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Smith, of Delaware, moved that the recommendation of the Committee be approved, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Supreme Master of Records and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer's Reports submitted the following report:

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The undersigned Committee, appointed to examine the report of the Supreme Master of Records

and Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, find them correct in every particular, agreeable to the printed reports.

Fraternally yours, in F., V. and H.,
ERNEST KOCH,
HORACE J. PARKS,
JAMES E. WHITEFORD, M. D.

P. G. C. Dickinson, of Connecticut, moved that the report be received and approved and the Committee discharged, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Finance and Mileage submitted the following report on the subjects referred to them from the Supreme Chief's report:

READING, PA., October 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief and Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Committee on Finance and Mileage to whom was referred the financial recommendations contained in the Supreme Chief's report, submit the following:

Item 2 of No. 2, on page 7, printed report, we do not favor, for the reason that to exact a per capita tax would lead to a demand for representation in Supreme Castle.

Item 3 is covered in the regular report of the Committee on Finance and Mileage.

Items 4 and 5 meet with our approval.

Fraternally in F., V. and H.,
JOHN DICKINSON,
JNO. B. TREIBLER, JR.,
JOHN ASPRIL.

P. G. C. Maccubbin, of Maryland, moved that the report be received, and the recommendations be considered *seriatim*, and it was so ordered.

The report of the Committee on Item 2, of recommendation No. 2, having been read, "We do not favor, for the reason that to exact a per capita tax would lead to a demand for representation in the Supreme Castle,"

P. G. C. Koch, of Connecticut, moved that it be approved, and the motion was adopted.

Recommendation No. 4, of the Supreme Chief having been read, viz.: "That our laws be amended to fix the minimun fee at $5,

P. S. C. Koch, of Connecticut, moved that it be approved.

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be laid on the table, and the motion was adopted.

Recommendation No. 5, of the Supreme Chief, having been read, viz: "That the fee of $15 paid to organizers be confined to Castles instituted under the immediate control of the Supreme Castle,"

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that it be approved, and the motion was not agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the fee of $15 be paid to organizers during the ensuing year, and that no change be made thereto, unless the proposed change be made at one session to be acted on at the next.

P. S. C. Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, raised the point of order that the latter part of the motion is not in order, that we cannot bind the succeeding session.

The Supreme Chief decided the point of order well taken, and declared the motion out of order.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that not less than $15 be paid to organizers during the ensuing year, and the motion was agreed to.

The amendments to the Constitution of the Supreme Castle submitted at the previous annual session and amendments

laid over until this session at the annual session in 1895, were taken up for consideration, viz.:

Amend Article IV., Section 1. Strike out "second Tuesday in October," on the second line, and insert "fourth Tuesday in June."

Amend Article VII., Section 2, by striking out the words "semi-annually," in the sixth line, and inserting the word "annually."

Substitute for Section 3, paragraph 4, of same article, "Elections for officers shall be held at the last regular session in the month of December. Nominations for all elective posts shall be made at the preceding session."

Amend Section 3, paragraph 5, of same Article, by striking out the words, "months of January and July" and inserting the words "month of January;" also strike out the word "semi" in the fourth line.

Strike out Section 3, paragraph 11, of same article.

Article II|(Section 3. Strike out the words "one year," and insert "two years," so as to read: "Section 3. The Supreme Officers shall be elected for two years, by ballot, etc."

Article IV., Section 1. Strike out the word "annually," and insert in lieu thereof the word "biennially."

Atricle V., Section 3. Strike out the word "annually," and insert in lieu thereof the word "biennially."

Article VI., Section 4. Add, after the word "shall," in the tenth line, the word "biennially." Also strike out the word "annual," in eighteenth line, and insert the word "biennial" in lieu thereof.

The amendment to Section 1, of Article IV, having been read,

P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland, moved that the amendment be adopted, and the motion was not agreed to.

The amendment to Section 2, of Article VII, having been read,

P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, moved that the amendment be adopted, and the motion was not agreed to.

The amendment to paragraph 4, Section 3, of Article VII, having been read,

Supreme Master of Records Culbertson moved that the amendment be adopted, and the motion was not agreed to.

The amendment to paragraph 5, of Section 3, of Article VII, having been read,

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that the amendment be adopted, and the motion was not agreed to.

The amendment to paragraph 11, Section 3, of Article VII, having been read,

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out the words "the Castle shall open in the degree applied for, and a ballot be had" and insert "a ballot shall be had," and the motion was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was then adopted.

The paragraph as amended reads:

11. When application is made by a brother for a higher degree a ballot shall be had, when, if not more than two black balls appear, he shall be declared entitled to receive the said degree; but should three or more black balls appear, the ballot shall be immediately renewed, when, should they again appear, he shall be declared rejected, and cannot make application for the same degree again in less than three months thereafter. If there be more than one candidate for the higher degree, the Castle may ballot of them collectively; but if more than two black balls appear they shall be balloted for separately.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that the consideration of the remaining proposed amendments be laid over until after the consideration of the amendments to the Death Benefit Laws.

P. G. C. Le Feber, of Kentucky, moved that they be made the special order of business on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and the motion was not agreed to.

The motion of P. G. C. Treibler was not agreed to.

The hour of 6 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock.

P. S. C. W. EMORY MURRAY

ADMITTED MAY 4, 1880 DIED MAY 20, 1896

SECOND DAY.

READING, PA., October 14, 1896.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, on Wednesday morning, October 14, 1896, at 9.15 o'clock, in Knights of the Golden Eagle Hall, Court Street, Reading, Pa.

Present:

A. C. LYTTLE.....Supreme Chief.
WILLIAM OSCAR BROWN.....Supreme Vice Chief.
A. H. ALEXANDER.....Supreme High Priest.
TIMOTHY MCCARTHY.....Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.
WILLIAM CULBERTSON.....Supreme Master of Records.
JOHN ASPRIL.....Supreme Sir Herald, *p. t.*
HOWARD WINSLOW.....Supreme First Guardsman, *p. t.*
R. EMORY ENNISS.....Supreme Second Guardsman, *p. t.*

And a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs, viz.:

MARYLAND—James Young, *P. S. C.*, Daniel Zeigler, *P. S. C.*, Jacob H. Aull, *P. S. C.*, Richard W. Maccubbin. R. Emory Enniss, *P. S. C.*, James E. Whiteford, M. D., *Surg. Gen.*, William R. Smiley.

PENNSYLVANIA—Edward S. Rowand, *P. S. C.*, Timothy McCarthy, *S. K. of E.*, William Culbertson, *S. M, of R*, John Dickinson, *P. S. C.*, J. D. Barnes, *P. S. C*, A. C. Lyttle, *S. C*. D. D. Blauch, Harry P. Reinicke, *Lieut. Gen.*, Charles B. Wood, Jenkin Hill.

MASSACHUSETTS—Lyman P. Lewis, *P. S. C.*, John B. Roberts.

DELAWARE—John B. Treibler, Jr., Jacob H. Thompson, William O. Brown, *S. V. C.*, John Aspril, W. Frank Taylor, Garrett S. Smith, J. Albert Lynam, Charles H. Hudson, James H. Pierson.

NEW JERSEY—George J. Robertson, Horace J. Parks, F. Wayland Potter, James E. Highley, Walter A. Barrows.

NEW YORK—Daniel W. Hallock.

WEST VIRGINIA—Lewis P. Creekbaum.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Henry T. Adams.

OHIO—A. H. Alexander, *S. H. P.*, E. V. Moore.

CONNECTICUT—Ernst Koch, *P. S. C.*, Fred. L. Trowbridge, Willis H. Roden, Joseph P. Dickinson.

KENTUCKY—Eli W. Le Feber.

COLORADO—A. McDonald.

INDIANA—James Patchell, Cyrus Moore.

MAINE—Howard Winslow, *S. S. G.*, Charles F. Hayford, Harry A. Weymouth, M. D., George E. McCann.

The Supreme Castle was opened in due form.

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, presented the following communication, viz.:

READING, PA., October 14, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The Committee on Reception, appointed by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania, cordially invite your august body to attend a reception this evening, in your honor.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

C. B. WOOD,
J. D. BARNES,
LOUIS E. STILZ,
F. A. HARRIS,
JENKIN HILL,
Committee.

P. G. C. Moore, of Ohio, moved that the invitation be accepted, and the motion was agreed to.

The Committee on Supreme Chief's Report submitted the following:

READING, PA., October 14, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

We, the special Committee to whom was referred the report of the Supreme Chief, other than those parts referring to Law and Finances, respectfully report they have considered said report. We have only words of commendation, and congratulate Supreme Chief Lyttle upon the success that has attended his labors.

We recommend that a Past Supreme Chief's jewel be presented to him as a slight token of the regard with which he is held by the Supreme Body.

E. V. MOORE,
LYMAN P. LEWIS,
EWD. S. ROWAND,
Committee.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that the report be received and the recommendation adopted, and the motion was adopted.

The Supreme Chief announced that the consideration of the report of the Committee on Finance and Mileage was now in order.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that where no objections are offered the recommendations be considered adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

The Committee on Finance and Mileage submitted the following supplementary report:

READING, PA., October 14, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Finance and Mileage, offer the following as a supplementary report:

While we have recommended in our appropriations for the ensuing year that the salary of the Supreme Master of Records be $1,200, in view of the fact that Brother Culbertson has voluntarily recommended said salary be reduced to $900 per annum, we approve of and endorse the recommendation.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

JOHN DICKINSON,
JNO. B. TREIBLER, JR.,
JOHN ASPRIL,
Committee on Finance and Mileage.

Item 1 (Travelling expenses of Supreme Chief, and instituting Castles under the immediate jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle, $800) was approved.

Item 2 (Salary of Supreme Master of Records, $1,200), having been read,

P. S. C. Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, moved that the salary be made $900, as per supplementary report of the Committee.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to amend by striking out $900 and inserting $1,200, and the motion was not agreed to.

The motion of P. S. C. Dickinson was then agreed to, and the appropriation of $900 was approved.

Item 3 (Salary of Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, $200) was approved.

Item 4 (Supplies, $3,500) was approved.

Item 5 (Postage and Expressage, $250) was approved.

Item 6 (Printing and Stationery, $1,000), having been read,

P. G. C. Hill, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be made $800, and the motion was agreed to.

Item 7 (Mileage, $775) was approved.

Item 8 (Expenses of Session, $250) was approved.

Item 9 (Incidentals, $200) was approved.

Item 10 (Rent of Office, $500) was approved.

Item 11 (Subscription to "Knights of the Golden Eagle," $200) was approved.

MILITARY BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS.

Item 1 (Expenses of Lieutenant General, $300) was approved.

Item 2 (Salary of Adjutant General, $100) was approved.

Item 3 (Salary of Assistant Adjutant General, $50) was approved.

Item 4 (Printing, Postage and Incidentals, $200) was approved.

Item 5 (Supplies, $200) was approved.

Past Grand Chiefs Frank A. Buren, Edward D. Senseman and John C. F. Trachsel, of New Jersey, whose credentials had been approved, were announced in waiting, whereupon they were introduced by the Supreme Sir Herald, received the Supreme Castle Degree, and took their seats as members of the Supreme Castle.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that in accordance with the resolution adopted at the session held at Washington last year, that date, number of miles, places visited, number of persons with the Supreme Chief and Lieutenant General with the aggregate expense, be printed in the report of the Committee, and the motion was adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee as to price of supplies was then considered :

SUPPLIES TO GRAND CASTLES.

Charter fee to Grand Castles (including five rituals), $30, was approved.

Charter plates for Subordinates, each $2, was approved.

Dispensation plates for Subordinates, each $1, was approved.

Rituals for Grand Castles, per set of five, $15, was approved.

Rituals for Subordinate Castles, per set of five, $16.25.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out $16.25 and insert $13.00, and it was not agreed to.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that the price, $16.25, be adopted, and it was agreed to.

Funeral ceremonies, each 75 cents, was approved.

Ode cards, each 5 cents, was approved.

Withdrawal cards, each 75 cents, was approved.

Dismissal certificates, each 75 cents, was approved.

District Grand Chiefs' commissions, each 50 cents.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out 50 cents and insert 10 cents.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved to amend by striking out District Grand Chiefs' commissions, each 50 cents, and it was agreed to.

The motion as amended was adopted.

Question books, each $4.00, was approved.

Music ode books, per dozen, $3.60, was approved.

Drill manuals, to Grand Castles, per dozen, $9.00, was approved.

Drill manuals, to other parties, per dozen, $10.00, was approved.

Certificates of membership, per dozen, $9.00, was approved.

Badges for Grand and Subordinate Castles, per dozen, $12.00, was approved.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, at 2.10 o'clock P. M., all the Supreme Castle Officers at their respective posts, and a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs present.

P. G. C. Robert R. Hodge, of Pennsylvania, was announced in waiting, whereupon he was introduced by the Supreme Sir Herald, received the Supreme Castle Degree, and took his seat as a member of the Supreme Castle.

Consideration of the report of the Committee on Finance and Mileage was resumed.

Badges for Grand and Subordinate Castles, each $1.25, was approved.

Jewels for Officers of Grand Castles (gold plated), per set of eleven, $12.00, was approved.

Jewels for Officers of Grand Castles or Past Grand Chiefs, each $1.25, was approved.

Jewels for Officers of Subordinate Castles (silver plated), per set of fifteen, $12.00, was approved.

Jewels for Officers of Subordinate Castles or Past Chiefs, each $1.00, was approved.

SUPPLIES TO SUBORDINATE CASTLES.

Charter fee (including five rituals, fifty ode cards and one funeral ceremony), $30.00, was approved.

Rituals, per set of five, $18.00.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out $18.00 and insert $16.25, and it was not agreed to.

P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, moved that the price be $18.00, and the motion was adopted.

The Supreme Chief announced that, in accordance with the previous action of the Supreme Castle, the nomination and election of Officers was now in order, and appointed Past Grand Chiefs Roberts, of Massachusetts, and Moore of Indiana, as Tellers to conduct the election.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that where there is no opposition that Past Grand Chief Hill, of Pennsylvania, cast the unanimous vote of the Supreme Castle for the nominee, and the motion was adopted.

Nominations for Supreme Chief having been declared open,

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, nominated Supreme Vice Chief William Oscar Brown, of Delaware.

No further nominations having been made, the Supreme Chief declared the nominations closed.

A ballot was taken, and resulted in the unanimous election of Supreme Vice Chief William Oscar Brown as Supreme Chief.

Nominations for Supreme Vice Chief was declared open.

P. S. C. Enniss, of Maryland, nominated P. G. C. E. V. Moore, of Ohio.

No further nominations having been made, the Supreme Chief declared the nominations closed.

A ballot was taken and a unanimous vote was cast for P. G. C. E. V. Moore, of Ohio, for Supreme Vice Chief.

Nominations for Supreme High Priest was declared open.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, nominated Supreme High Priest A. H. Alexander, of Ohio, for re-election.

No further nominations having been made, the Supreme Chief declared the nominations closed.

A ballot having been taken, P. G. C. A. H. Alexander, of Ohio, received a unanimous vote for Supreme High Priest.

Nominations were declared open for Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, nominated Supreme Keeper of Exchequer Timothy McCarthy, of Pennsylvania, for re-election.

No further nominations having been made the Supreme Chief declared the nominations closed.

A ballot was taken, and a unanimous vote was cast for Supreme Keeper of Exchequer Timothy McCarthy, of Pennsylvania.

Nominations were declared open for Supreme Master of Records.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, nominated Supreme Master of Records William Culbertson, of Pennsylvania, for re-election.

P. G. C. Potter, of New Jersey, nominated P. G. C. Horace J. Parks, of New Jersey.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, nominated P. G. C. Charles B. Wood, of Pennsylvania.

A ballot was taken, and the Tellers reported that 52 votes had been cast, of which Supreme Master of Records William Culbertson, of Pennsylvania, received 25; P. G. C. Horace J. Parks, of New Jersey, received 20, and P. G. C. Charles B. Wood, of Pennsylvania, received 7.

Neither of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, a second ballot was ordered, at the conclusion of which the Tellers reported that 50 votes had been cast, of which Supreme Master of Records Culbertson had received 29 votes, and P. G. C. Parks, 21 votes.

Supreme Master of Records William Culbertson, of Pennsylvania, having received a majority of the votes, was declared re-elected.

Nominations were declared open for Supreme Sir Herald.

P. S. C. Koch, of Connecticut, nominated P. G. C. Joseph P. Dickinson, of Connecticut.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, nominated P. G. C. Eli W. Le Feber, of Kentucky.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, nominated P. G. C. Lewis P. Creekbaum, of West Virginia.

A ballot was taken and the Tellers reported that 48 votes had been cast, of which P. G. C. Joseph P. Dickinson, of Connecticut, received 35; P. G. C. Eli W. Le Feber, of Kentucky, received 9, and P. G. C. Lewis P. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, received 4.

P. G. C. Joseph P. Dickinson, of Connecticut, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected.

Nominations for Supreme First Guardsman were declared open.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, nominated P. G. C. Eli W. Le Feber, of Kentucky.

P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, nominated Supreme Second Guardsman Howard Winslow, of Maine.

P. G. C. Potter, of New Jersey, nominated P. G. C. Daniel W. Hallock, of New York.

Past Grand Chiefs Le Feber and Hallock declined the nomination.

A ballot was taken, and Supreme Second Guardsman Howard Winslow received a unanimous vote for Supreme First Guardsman.

Nominations were declared open for Supreme Second Guardsman.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, nominated P. G. C. Eli W. Le Feber, of Kentucky.

P. G. C. Hallock, of New York, nominated P. G. C. James Patchell, of Indiana.

P. G. C. Patchell declined the nomination.

A ballot having been taken, P. G. C. Eli W. Le Feber, of Kentucky, received a unanimous vote for Supreme Second Guardsman.

Supreme Chief Lyttle thereupon declared the following Supreme Officers duly elected:

Supreme Chief—WILLIAM OSCAR BROWN, of Delaware.
Supreme Vice-Chief—E. V. MOORE, of Ohio.
Supreme High Priest—A. H. ALEXANDER, of Ohio.
Supreme Keeper of Exchequer—TIMOTHY MCCARTHY, of Pennsylvania.
Supreme Master of Records—WILLIAM CULBERTSON, of Pennsylvania.
Supreme Sir Herald—JOSEPH P. DICKINSON, of Connecticut.
Supreme First Guardsman—HOWARD WINSLOW, of Maine.
Supreme Second Guardsman—ELI W. LE FEBER, of Kentucky.

Nominations were declared open for Supreme Medical Examiner of the Death Benefit Fund.

P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, nominated P. G. C. James E. Whiteford, M. D., of Maryland, for re-election.

No further nominations having been made, the Supreme Chief declared the nominations closed.

A ballot was taken, and P. G. C. James E. Whiteford, of Maryland, received a unanimous vote, and was declared elected.

The consideration of the prices of supplies to Subordinate Castles was resumed.

Rituals, each $4.00, was approved.

Funeral ceremonies, each $1.00, was approved.

Ode cards, each 10 cents, was approved.

Withdrawal cards, each $1.00.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out $1.00 and insert 75 cents, and it was so ordered.

Dismissal certificates, each $1.00.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out $1.00 and insert 75 cents, and it was so ordered.

Question Books, each $5.00, was approved.

Music ode books, each 40 cents, was approved.

Drill manuals, each $1.00, was approved.

Certificates of membership, per dozen, $12.00, was approved.

Certificates of membership, engrossed, each $1.50, was approved.

Badges, per dozen, $12.00, was approved.

Badges, each $1.25, was approved.

Jewels for Officers (silver plated), per set of fifteen, $12.00, was approved.

Jewels for Officers and Past Chiefs (silver plated), each $1.00, was approved.

In relation to the transfer of the Supreme Castle office, causing the expenditure of $210 for unexpired rental,

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that an order be drawn for $210, and that in view of the statement made by the Supreme Master of Records that he donates the sum, that the thanks of the Supreme Castle be tendered the brother. Unanimously agreed to.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that an appropriation of $213.27 be made to cover Items 4, 6 and 7, overdrawn, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. McDonald, of Colorado, moved that an appropriation of $39.90 be made to pay the bill presented by the Committee, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to reconsider the motion fixing the price of rituals to Grand Castles for Subordinate Castles, and it was agreed to ; the ayes being 23 and nays 12.

The Supreme Chief stated that the motion of P. S. C. Young was now before the Supreme Castle.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved to strike out $16.25 and insert $15.00, and the motion was adopted.

The motion as amended was then adopted.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that the report of the Committee, as amended, be adopted as a whole, and the motion was agreed to.

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy moved that the thanks of the Supreme Castle be tendered to the Committee on Finance and Mileage for their services during the past year, and it was unanimously agreed to.

The amendments to the Supreme Castle Constitution that had been laid over were then considered.

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that the amendments relating to biennial sessions be postponed until after consideration of the report of the Executive Board of the Death Benefit Fund, and it was not agreed to.

The amendment to Section 3, Article II, having been read, viz.: To strike out the words "one year" and insert "two years,"

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy moved that it be adopted, and it was not agreed to.

The amendment to Section 1, Article IV., having been read, to strike out the word "annually" and insert "biennially,"

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy moved that it be adopted, and it was not agreed to.

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy moved that further consideration of all other amendments relating to biennial sessions be indefinitely postponed and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved that we now proceed to the selection of a place for holding the next annual session, and it was agreed to.

P. G. C. Potter, of New Jersey, invited the Supreme Castle to hold its next session in the city of Trenton, New Jersey.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, presented communications from the Governor of Tennessee, Mayor of Nashville, and others, inviting the Supreme Castle to meet in the City of Nashville during the celebration of Tennessee's Centennial, viz.:

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 28, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON, *Secretary,*
Knights of the Golden Eagle, Philadelphia, Pa.:

GENTLEMEN:—Permit me, on behalf of the State of Tennessee, to invite you to hold your next convention in the City of Nashville. The State of Tennessee will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of its admission into the Union by holding a grand Exposition in the City of Nashville during the spring, summer and fall of 1897.

Our people are making elaborate preparations to receive and entertain all visiting associations, and it is the desire of the people of the State, expressed through me, that the members of your association give us the pleasure of your presence at some time during the continuance of the Exposition.

Yours respectfully,

P. TURNEY,
Governor.

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 28, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON, *Secretary,*
Knights of the Golden Eagle, Philadelphia, Pa.:

GENTLEMEN:—I take pleasure in endorsing the invitation extended by the Chamber of Commerce to your honorable body to hold your next annual convention in this city during our centennial year. We will see that you receive a most cordial, hearty greeting, and that your stay shall not only be pleasant but profitable to each of you.

Yours respectfully,
WM. M. McCARTHY,
Mayor.

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 28, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON, *Secretary,*
Knights of the Golden Eagle, Philadelphia, Pa.:

GENTLEMEN:—The City Council of Nashville, Tenn., begs most heartily to unite in extending a most cordial invitation to your association to holds its annual convention in Nashville during our centennial year, 1897. We will receive you with open arms.

Respectfully,
NASHVILLE CITY COUNCIL,
By H. S. WILLIAMS,
President.

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 28, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON *Secretary,*
Knights of the Golden Eagle, Philadelphia. Pa.:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Works and Affairs of Nashville, Tenn., joins with His Honor, the Mayor, and others, in extending a most cordial invitation to your association to meet in Nashville in 1897.

Respectfully,
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND AFFAIRS,
Per GEO. W. STAMBACK,
Chairman.

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 28, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON, *Secretary,*
Knights of the Golden Eagle, Philadelphia, Pa.:

GENTLEMEN:—The Chamber of Commerce of Nashville, Tenn., together with other official bodies of this city, beg very respect-

lowing resolution, and moved that it be adopted, and it was agreed to :

READING, PA., October 14, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—I would respectfully present the following resolution, and request that it be adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Supreme Castle publish in the Journal of Proceedings a list of dates and places where the sessions of the Supreme Castle have been held, and the name of the Supreme Chief of that year, and that hereafter dates and places of sessions, with names of Supreme Chiefs, be so published, devoting one page in the latter part of Journal for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WINSLOW.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, submitted the following form as an order for the Password.

That the following be adopted as the official form as an order for the password to members residing distant from their Castle.

J. D. BARNES.

ORDER FOR THE PASSWORD.

From ——— Castle, No. —, of ————, State of————.

(Date.) ————————————.

To the Noble Chief, Officers and Members of any Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The bearer, Sir Knight ————, being in good standing, is entitled to the password of the current term. After due examination, please communicate the same to him, retaining or destroying this order.

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[SEAL.] *Noble Chief.*

Attest: ....

Master of Records.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved that it be adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, moved the consideration of the reports on the Death Benefit Fund be made the special order for Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, and it was agreed to.

A resolution was adopted at the last annual session that each Grand Castle who had not had the honors of Past Grand Chief conferred upon one of its members, at that session, for meritorious services, be privileged to select and present, at this session, the name of a Past Chief to receive such honor; in accordance therewith the following names were presented: William H. Jutson, of New York; J. B. Lilly, of West Virginia; J. E. Toone, of District of Columbia; W. O. Macdougal, of California; Albert C. Bragg, of Maine.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the honors of Past Grand Chief be conferred upon the above named Sir Knights for meritorious services, and it was unanimously agreed to.

A communication from the Grand Castle of Colorado was read, viz.:

DENVER, COLO., October 7th, 1896.

To the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—At the last session of the Grand Castle of Colorado, William Simcock, a member of Liberty Castle, No. 1, Colorado, formerly a member of Friendship Castle of Kansas, presented a certificate signed by the Grand Chief and Grand Master of Records of Kansas, showing he had served four years as G. K. of Ex. of Kansas and five years as Master of Records, and given other services and attention, and was entitled to the honor of P. G. C., but for some unaccountable reason the Grand Officers neglected to forward the certificate to Bro. Simcock.

The Supreme Representative, W. A. Murphy, had a certificate in his pocket which he omitted to present to the Supreme Castle at its last session. Bro. Simcock's business was transferred to Denver, Colo., or he would have continued in office in Kansas. Our Supreme Representative is instructed to bring this matter before the Supreme Castle.

Praying your Honorable Body to confer the honor of P. G. C. on Wm. Simcock, who so richly deserves it. Unfortunately, I lost several certificates at Idaho Springs and Bro. Simcock's was among them.

Fraternally yours,
FRANK L. DODGE, G. M. of R.

P. G. C. Potter, of New Jersey, moved that the honors of Past Grand Chief be conferred on Brother William Simcock, and it was not agreed to

The Supreme Chief announced the following Special Committees on the respective reports :

On Lieutenant General's Report, P. G. C. Moore, of Ohio ; P. S. C. Koch, of Connecticut, and P. G. C. Aspril, of Delaware.

On the Executive Board of the Death Benefit Fund's Report, P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland; P. G. C. Dickinson, of Connecticut, and P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky.

Communication from the Grand Castle of New Jersey was read, viz.:

ATLANTIC CITY. N. J., Sept. 8th, 1896.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—

WHEREAS, Past Chief Daniel M. Stevens, an active and prominent member of this Grand Castle, an earnest and valuable worker for the Knights of the Golden Eagle, has been unable to earn the honors of Past Grand Chief, by passing through the chairs of the Grand Castle, because of his devotion and service to other work of this Grand Castle, extending over a period of eleven years, during which time he has been of inestimable value to the Order in this State, in shaping and directing her finances, having served as Chairman of the Finance Committee for eight years, and as G. M. of R. for two years without salary, and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Grand Castle, that this unselfish sacrifice of time and ambition should not go unrewarded therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Grand Castle of New Jersey, assembled in annual session, respectfully petition the Supreme Castle at Reading, to

confer the honor of P. G. C., upon Bro. Daniel M. Stevens, for meritorious service,

RESOLVED, That the Representative to the Supreme Castle be and is hereby instructed to present these resolutions to the Supreme Castle, and use every means to secure favorable action ; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Past Grand Chiefs of New Jersey are requested to aid our Representative in this matter by their votes and influence.

F. WAYLAND POTTER, P. G. C.
HORACE J. PARKS, P. G. C.
J. E. HIGHLEY, P. G. C.
JOHN C. F. TRACHSEL, P. G. C.
ROBT. M. FOUST, P. G. C.
JOS. ARNOLD, P. G. C.
E. D. SENSEMAN, P. G. C.

The foregoing preamble and resolutions were received and unanimously adopted by the Grand Castle of New Jersey, at Atlantic City, Sept. 9th 1896.

A. L. CLARK. G. M. of R.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, moved that the prayer of the Grand Castle of New Jersey be granted and the honors of Past Grand Chief be conferred upon Daniel M. Stevens, and the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Grand Castle of West Virginia was read, viz.:

GUYANDOTTE, W. Va., Sept. 19, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

This is to certify, that the Grand Castle K. G. E. of West Virginia, at its last annual sesson, Sept. 1 and 2, 1896, by a unanimous vote, earnestly pray your honorable body, to confer the Past Supreme Chief's honors on P. G. C. S. N. Hirst, for valued and arduous work which he has done for the Order in this State.

Given under our hand and seal of the Grand Castle, K. G. E., of West Virginia, this 19th day of Sept. 1896.

Attest: L. S. WIGAL, *G. M. of R.* G W. TOOLEY.
Grand Chief.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that it be laid on the table, and the motion was not agreed to.

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy moved that the communication be received and the request complied with.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, moved to strike out the words "and request complied with" and insert the following words, "That it be referred to a Committee of three Past Supreme Chiefs to bring before this body the names of those entitled to the honors of Past Supreme Chief," and the amendment was not agreed to.

The motion was not agreed to.

The hour of 6 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

READING, PA., October 15, 1896.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, on Thursday morning, October 15, 1896, at 9.10 o'clock, in the Knights of the Golden Eagle Hall, Court street, Reading, Pa.

Present:

A. C. LYTTLE.....Supreme Chief.
WILLIAM OSCAR BROWN.....Supreme Vice Chief.
A. H. ALEXANDER.....Supreme High Priest.
TIMOTHY MCCARTHY.....Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.
WILLIAM CULBERTSON..... .....Supreme Master of Records.
JOHN ASPRIL..... .....Supreme Sir Herald, *p. t.*
HOWARD WINSLOW. .....Supreme First Guardsman, *p. t.*
R. EMORY ENNISS.....Supreme Second Guardsman, *p. t.*

And a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs, viz.:

MARYLAND—James Young, *P. S. C.*, Daniel Zeigler, *P. S. C.*, Jacob H. Aull, *P. S. C.*, Richard W. Maccubbin, R. Emory Enniss, *P. S. C*, James E. Whiteford, M. D., *Surg. Gen.*, William R. Smiley.

PENNSYLVANIA—Edward S. Rowand, *P. S. C.*, Timothy McCarthy, S. K. of E., William Culbertson, *S. M. of R.*, John Dickinson, *P. S. C.*, J. D. Barnes, *P. S. C.*, A. C. Lyttle, S. C., D. D. Blauch, Harry P. Reinicke, *Lieut. Gen.*, C. B. Wood, Jenkin Hill.

MASSACHUSETTS—Lyman P. Lewis, *P. S. C.*

DELAWARE—John B. Treibler, Jr., William Oscar Brown, *S. V. C.*, John Aspril, Garrett S. Smith, J. Albert Lynam, Charles H. Hudson.

NEW JERSEY—George J. Robertson, Horace J. Parks, James E. Highley, Walter A. Barrows, John C. F. Trachsell.

WEST VIRGINIA—Lewis P. Creekbaum.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Henry T. Adams.

OHIO—A. H. Alexander, *S. H. P.*, E. V. Moore.

CONNECTICUT—Ernst Koch, *P. S. C.*, Fred. L. Trowbridge, Willis H. Roden, Joseph P. Dickinson.

KENTUCKY—Eli W. Le Feber.

COLORADO—A. McDonald.

INDIANA—James Patchell, Cyrus Moore.

MAINE—Howard Winslow, *S. S. G.*, Charles F. Hayford.

The Supreme Castle was opened in due form.

P. G. C. Daniel M. Stevens, of New Jersey, was announced in waiting, whereupon he was introduced by the Supreme Sir Herald, received the Supreme Castle Degree, and took his seat as a member of the Supreme Castle.

The Committee on the Degree of Chivalry, submitted the following report, viz.:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEGREE OF CHIVALRY.

READING PA., Oct. 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—At the last annual session of the Supreme Castle, Past Grand Chief Louis E. Stilz (Lieutenant General) submitted the following resolution (page 202 of proceedings), which was adopted.

"That a Committee of three, one of whom shall be the Lieutenant General, be appointed to revise the Laws of the Military Branch, in which shall also be embodied the necessary laws for the proper working of a Chivalric Degree, and that this Committee shall consist of the same members as the Committee on Ritual."

Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle, appointed the following as the Committee:—Past Supreme Chief J. D. Barnes (Inspector General), Past Grand Chief Harry P. Reinicke (Lieutenant General), and Past Grand Chief C. B. Wood (Assistant Adjutant General).

We herewith submit our report.

Under date of February 24, the ideas of the Committee were embodied in a circular, which was issued by Lieutenant General Harry P. Reinicke.

In connection, therewith, to bring the matter to the proper attention of the entire Military Branch, we said:

Your special attention and prompt response to this circular request is desired, inasmuch as the replies received will have a most important effect upon the future of the Military Branch. The changes proposed are of vital importance, and if adopted, the Military Branch will, we are confident, enter upon such a career of usefulness as will eclipse the glorious successes of the past. We trust, therefore, that you will, at the very earliest available moment, have this circular read to your Company in open meeting, and advise me as to their views thereon.

This Committee has agreed upon the following changes, and has deemed it advisable to ascertain the sense of the various Commanderies and Companies regarding them before concluding their work. Th desire of the Committee is to submit to the Supreme Castle such laws and recommendations as will meet with the hearty approval of our members and result in increased interest and activity in the Miltary Branch.

In this connection, among others, the following have been named as causes which prevent the complete success desired :

First. The Military Branch is overburdened with officers, whose number, in many instances, almost equal their subordinates.

Second. There is too much "red tape" in the conduct of its business.

Third. There is an absence of genuine interest, because of the want of attracton aside from drills and parades.

Fourth. That just when a Commandery has its full complement of fifty uniformed members the interest seems to decline rather than increase.

Fifth. That Battalions, Regiments, Brigades and Divisions are useless and therefore unnecessary.

(Then followed the question, noted hereafter).

The Military Branch will remain under the control of the Supreme Castle, as the Supreme head of the Order, with the Supreme Chief and Lieutenant General bearing the same rlations thereto as at present.

Many other improvements, no doubt, will be suggested in the replies from the Commanderies.

It is believed by the Committee that these salient features will prove effective in strengthening the Military Branch and the Order generally, and will be the means of inducing many Sir Knights to join Commanderies for the purpose of increasing their insurance investments in the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and thus avoiding the necessity of connecting themselves with several organizations.

If your Commandery or Company approves of these proposed changes in the Laws governing the Military Branch, urge upon its members the beginning of an early crusade in the various Castles so that when the proper time comes we may be prepared to institute the various Commanderies with a largely increased membership. The said institution ceremonies will not affect the present warrant, name or number of any existing Commandery, as the ceremony is merely to illustrate the new ritual.

Bring out all points referred to, and kindly communicate to me on the enclosed addressed postal card the result of the meeting, as promptly as possible.

In addition, the following questions were propounded. The affirmative and negative replies of the Commanderies are given :

To overcome these and other objections, the Committee proposes :

A. That the Degree of Chivalry for the Military Branch shall constitute the Civil Commandery. Yes, 41. No, 7.

B. That initiation in the Degree of Chivalry shall be essential to membership in the Military Branch. Yes, 42. No, 6.

C. That the clerical and relief business shall be conducted by the Civil Department. Yes, 39. No, 9.

D. That the Military Department shall attend to Drills, Parades, etc. Yes, 43. No, 5.

E. That the membership of Commanderies be unlimited, and that as many of the members as possible become fully equipped for the Military Department ; but to become a member of a Commandery it shall not be deemed necessary to be active in the Military Department. It is hoped and expected that a greater number of Sir Knights will thus be induced to connect themselves with the Commanderies and interest themselves in the military feature of our Order. Yes, 41. No, 7.

F. Meetings of Commanderies to be held semi-monthly or monthly, at the option of each Commandery. Yes, 41. No, 7.

G. That the officers of the Civil Department (to be elected annually) be not necessarily officers of the Military Department. Yes, 36. No, 12.

H. Battalions, Regiments, Brigades and Divisions to be abolished. Yes, 32. No, 16.

I. Grand Commanderies to be instituted in jurisdictions where five or more Commanderies exist, and that Commanderies, being self-sustaining, bear the same relative position to the Grand Commandery as Castles do to Grand Castles. The session of the Grand Commandery to be held at the same time and place as the Grand Castle. Yes, 39. No, 9.

K. All commissioned officers and all retired officers in good standing to become members of Grand Commanderies. Yes, 41. No, 7.

L. That the Degree of Chivalry be as inexpensive as possible in regard to paraphernalia, but be made as attractive as possible otherwise. Yes, 43. No, 5.

M. That Commanderies be made beneficial (sick and death benefits) at the option of each Commandery. Yes, 42. No, 6.

The said Circular was mailed to every Commandery, as well as the Commanding officer.

As will be noted many failed to reply.

The Committee having the expressed desire of a majority of the Commanderies, compiled a set of laws governing the Degree of Chivalry, for the Supreme Castle, Grand Commanderies and Subordinate Commanderies. This compilation was done by Past Grand Chief C. B. Wood, after some consultation with the balance of the Committee.

The laws as noted, are submitted for your consideration.

It will be noted, however, that while Divisions and Brigades have been abolished (Grand Commanderies being in lieu thereof), that Regiments and Battalions have been retained, it being the intent that the Colonels and Majors are also in the nature as Castle District Grand Chiefs and Grand Instructors.

As to the ritualistic work, two Degrees were submitted but not approved.

We therefore requested Past Grand Chief C. B. Wood to write and submit a Ritual, to which he consented.

We are pleased to report that his work exceeded our expectations and met with our approval.

He has written a Degree, which in elegance of diction and attractiveness, as well as the exceedingly small expense to produce it, surpasses any thing introduced into Eagledom.

The Degree will be exemplified in the presence of the members of the Supreme Castle on Wednesday evening, Oct. 14, and we have no doubt but that they will confirm our report, recognizing that Bro. Wood has accomplished a task which entailed considerable study and labor.

He has given us a Degree which meets the requirements of the Military Branch, in Ritual and economy.

Very little paraphernalia is required, yet provision is made to enable Commanderies to beautify the work.

The costumes suggested and to be worn by the team, are described fully in the instructions preceding the degree.

They were designed by the firm of Sir Knights Louis E. Stilz & Bro., to whom we are under obligations, not only for the work, but also for their kindness in making the costumes for the exemplification.

The Committee is also indebted to Major John C, Wright, of the First Battalion, First Regiment, Military Branch of Pa., for suggestions and assistance in arranging and describing the floor movements of the various formations, designated by the author, also for the efficient manner in which, as drill master, he has perfected the work of the Team.

We are also under deep obligations to the Team, which has so willingly and effectively rehearsed the work. They are members of Co. B, West Philadelphia Commandery, No. 8, of Philadelphia.

Their names and titles in the Degree exemplification are as follows :

Grand Chevalier, Isaac H. Worrell.
Valiant Commander, Lewis M. Watkins.
Officer of the Guard, John B. Pearce.
Captain of the Troop, John C. Wright.

Knight Herald, Evan Register.
Knight Preceptor, Wm H. Wilson.
Knight Historian, Howard Wilson.
Knight Almoner, Titus Frankenfield.
Knight Precentor, C. B. Wood.
Segeant of the Guard, James McHale.
Garrison Guard, Morris Caldwell.
Advanced Guard, Paul Doerr.
Knight Ensign, Oliver Register.
Knight Armorer, Howard Alsover.
1st Knight of Honor, Geo. W. Hill.
2d Knight of Honor, Jos. H. Matsinger.
1st Knight Banneret, Edward Boyd.
2d Knight Banneret, John Shoemaker.
3d Knight Banneret, Jos. M. Brown.
1st Chevalier of the Guard, James Ryder.
2d Chevalier of the Guard, Wm. Wood.
3d Chevalier of the Guard, George Worrell.
4th Chevalier of the Guard, Harry Melville.
Saracen, George Willis.
EXX, Harry Smith.
AXXX, Jas.Bardsley.
Candidate, Edward Vaughn.

The following are the ceremonies, accompanying the Degree.

Institution of Grand Commanderies.
Installation of Grand Commanderies.
Opening Ceremony of Grand Commanderies.
Closing Ceremony of Grand Commanderies.
Opening Ceremony, Degree of Chivalry.
Closing Ceremony, Degree of Chivalry.
Institution of Commanderies.
Installation of Commanderies.
Grand Chevalier's Degree.

We recommend.

1. That the Degree and ceremonies be adopted.

2. That the thanks of the Supreme Castle, be extended to the author, Past Grand Chief C. B. Wood.

3. That the thanks of the Supreme Castle be extended to Past Grand Chief Louis E. Stilz and Brother for their kindness as to the costumes.

4. That the thanks of the Supreme Castle be given to Mayor John

C. Wright for his valuable work in the floor movements and as drill master.

5. That the thanks of the Supreme Castle be extended to each member of the team for their willingness and devotion, in perfecting the work.

6. That the thanks of the Supreme Castle be given to Waverly Castle, No. 13, of Phila., which kindly tendered the use of their hall for drills.

7. That the Committee be discharged.

Fraternally Submitted in F., V, and H.,

J. D. BARNES, Chairman,
HARRY P. REINICKE.

READING, Oct. 15, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

The following Sir Knights, in addition to the Committee, were present at the exemplification last night.

S. C. A. C. Lyttle ; S. V. C. W. Oscar Brown ; S. H. P. A. H. Alexander ; S. M. of R. Wm. Culbertson ; S. S. G. Howard Winslow ; Surgeon General Jas. E. Whiteford.

Past Supreme Chiefs Jas. Young, Ernst Koch, Lyman P. Lewis, Daniel Zeigler, Edward S. Rowand, John Dickinson, Jacob H. Aull.

Past Grand Chiefs R. W. Maccubbin, W. R. Smiley, Robt. R. Hodge, Cyrus Moore, Jos. P. Dickinson, E. V. Moore, Jenkin Hill, J. B. Roberts, Geo. J. Robertson, Garrett S Smith, Chas. H. Hudson, John Aspril, D. D. Blauch, J. Albert Lynam, John C. F. Trachsel, F. L. Trowbridge, A. McDonald, C. F. Hayford, H. T. Adams, Jas. Patchell, J. E. Highley, Walter A. Barrows, W. H. Roden, John B. Treibler, Jr., Horace J. Parks, L. P. Creekbaum, E. W. LeFeber, F. W. Potter, E. D. Senseman, Dan'l W. Hallock.

Grand Chief L. H. Tobin ; G. S. H. Walter H. Pelly ; G. K. of E. A. R. Tomlinson ; Major General Wm. E. Steinbach, and G. M. of R. Henry D. W. Morris, of Mass.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

J. D. BARNES,
H. P. REINICKE,
C. B. WOOD,
Committee.

P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, moved that the report of the Committee be received, the recommendation be adopted as a whole, and the Committee be continued, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Young, of Maryland, moved that the rules and regulations as reported by the Committee be adopted and that the Laws and Rituals be referred to the Board of Officers and the Committee, with power to make any change or addition as may be necessary, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Lieutenant General's Report submitted the following report:

READING, PA., Oct. 15, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

We, the Special Committee to whom was referred the report of the Lieutenant General, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the same; the full, frank and clear manner in which he has recited his official acts and the doings of the Military Branch is very praisworthy; it is positive evidence of the able manner in which the earnest efforts of said official have been expended, and we recommend the adoption of the report as printed.

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

E. V. MOORE,
ERNST KOCH,
JOHN ASPRIL.

P. G. C. Robertson, of New Jersey, moved that the report be received and the recommendation adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

Lieutenant General Reinicke submitted the following supplementary report, viz.:

READING, PA., Oct. 15, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle:

GREETING:—Your Lieutenant General feels that some mention is necessary to be made of the Grand Demonstration that was to have taken place in this City, Tuesday, October 13th, 1896, in honor of

your session, and official recognition be given to those whose vast labors as performed by the Local General Committee of which Capt. W. H. Houck, was Chairman, Elmer A. Reeser, Secretary, and Professor R. A. Townsend, Treasurer.

To the Committee appointed by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania, consisting of P. G. C. Charles B. Wood, Chairman, P. S. C. J. D. Barnes, Ex-Lieutenant General Louis E. Stilz, P. G. C. F. A. Harris, and P. G. C. Jenkin Hill, and last, but not least, to the Ladies of the Golden Eagle of Berks County, and particularly of the City of Reading, for their active participation and untiring efforts to make our stay a pleasant one ; also to his Honor, Mayor Weidel, and the citizens of Reading for their hospitality.

I can assure you, that the weather permitting, the demonstration would have been one unsurpassed in the annals of our Order.

Notwithstanding the unfavorable circumstances, a large number of Temples, Castles and Commanderies reported for parade and were prepared to show their loyalty to the cause.

The following Commanderies were present :

Pennsylvania Division :

1st Regiment—

Colonel, Jno M. Mitchell.
Lieutenant Colonel, Robert C. Murray.
Band, (Bryn Mawr).
West Philadelphia, No. 8, Capt. I. H. Worrell.
Wooten, No. 45, Capt. Chas. H. Carpenter.
Harris, No. 20, Capt. E. H. Dooley.
Golden Crown, No. 51, Capt. B. I. Cassel.
Adrian, No. 27, Capt. Geo. Blaese.

2d Regiment—

Colonel, Austin Long.
Lieutenant Colonel, E. S. Roessler.
Band, (Germania) .
Crusaders, No. 78, Capt. W. D. Trudy.
Ivanhoe, No. 26. Capt. L. C. Lowry.
Waverly, No. 13, Capt. J. Harlow Lampen.
Philadelphia, No. 9, Capt. I. M. Richards.
Red Cross, No. 11, Capt. Jos. S. Garwood.

3d Regiment—

Colonel, Henry Smeych.
Lieutenant Colonel, W. A. Hoffman.
Band, (Lancaster).

Blue Cross, No. 5, Capt. Elmer Ferrier.
Lancaster, No. 77, Capt, M. F. Bowers.
Raymond, No. 46, Capt. J. G. Hill.
Cumberland Valley,No. 109, Capt, W. A. Huber.
Harrisburg, No. 4, Capt. Jos. B. Hutchinson.
Harmony, No. 39, Capt. David S. Smith.
Ellsworth, No. 17, Capt. Geo. H. Godfrey.

4th Regiment—

Colonel, A. S. Rabenold.
Band, (Allentown) .
Keystone, No. 49, Capt. Jos. E. Grill.
Mt. Penn, No. 51, Capt. E. R. Fitchthorn.
St. Bernard, No. 6, Capt. W. H. Houck.
St. Mary, No. 7, Capt. F. C. Miller.
Reynolds, No. 44, Capt. H. H. Keiser.
Lafayette, No. 59, Capt. Wm. Jaynes.
Washington, No. 15, Capt. Buzzard.
Garfield, No. 50, Capt. A. C. Schaeffer.

5th Regiment—

St. Elmo, No. 30, Capt. G. M. Meek ; this Commandery escorted Supreme Chief A. C. Lyttle to Reading.

Many other Commanderies of Pennsylvania were represented, but were not reported to headquarters.

First Regiment of Massachusetts was represented by Lieutenant Colonel Cutcliffe, Capt. Roberts, and many members of their Commandery ; also quite a representation from the Division of Maine, headed by Colonel Howard Winslow.

Delaware was represented by their two Commanderies :
Delaware, No. 1, Capt. McAllister.
Crusaders, No. 5, Capt. W. H. Haley.

Maryland was represented by Baltimore, No. 1, Capt. James H. Livingston.

District of Columbia by America, No. 1, Capt. H. T. Adams.

St. Mary's Commandery, No. 7, of Allentown, Capt. H. C. Miller, received 1st. prize for best drilled Commandery.

The following members of my Staff were present :

Adjutant General—Robert R. Hodge, Pa.
Inspector General—J. D. Barnes, Pa.
Surgeon General—James E. Whiteford, Md.
Assistant Adjutant General—C. B. Wood, Pa.

Aides De Camp.

General Jacob H. Aull, Md.
Col. W. L. Wilson, Pa.
Col. E. S. Johnson, Pa.
Col. Walter H. Pelly, Pa.
Col. Wm. H. Irwin, Pa.
Col. A. Howard Duckett, Pa.
Col. Jenkin Hill, Pa.
Col. H. Chester Rockey, Pa.
Col. J. George Hintz, Pa.
Col. A. Armbruster, Pa.
Col. Howard Winslow, Maine.
Col. Ernst Koch, Conn.
Col. D. W. Hallock, N. Y.
Col. James E. Highley, N. J.
Col. J. Garrett Smith, Del.
Col. John Aspril, Del.
Col. E. V. Moore, Ohio.
Col. E. P. Gooding, D. C.
Col. L. P. Creekbaum, West Va.

Eight beautiful Floats representing various Degrees of our Order were prepared.

Sirius Castle, No. 63 ; Wisdom Castle, No. 488 ; Adonia Castle, No. 70 ; St. Bernard Temple, No. 16 ; Columbia Temple, No. 21 ; Veteran Temple, No. 17 ; Lady Bayard Temple, No. 78.

Chairmen of Committees :—Finance, Chas. O. Flatt ; Hotels, H. B. Till ; Music, John P. Lupt ; Horses & Carriages, L. K. Tomlinson ; Entertainment, M. H. Althouse ; Badges, E. E. Hummel ; Reception, Jenkin Hill ; Ball, Jas W. Kerst ; Prizes, Chas. O. Flatt ; Decorations, Wm. H. Gable.

General Committee.

Capt. Wm. H. Houck, Chief Marshal.

Jas. M. Hutchinson, Chief of Staff.

Aids :—Chas. W. Miller, No. 137 ; Phillip Ehman, No. 225 ; Wm. Guldin, No. 334 ; John M. Shappell, No. 38 ; E. B. Slichter, No. 63 ; Stephen Bridgeon, No. 86 ; H. G. Clouser, No. 51 ; Jas. M. Mitchell, No. 488 ; Wm. Barber, No. 445 ; John E. Geiger, No. 447 ; Geo. Schenck, No. 45 ; Millard Evans, No. 487 ; W. A. Sharp, No. 302 ; Nathan Dresher, No. 63 ; Geo. W. Shaffer, No. 51 ; Geo. W. Gilbert, No. 234 ; Geo. E. Schaffer, No. 487 ; Joel Y. Keck, No. 433 ; David Sands, No. 481 ; Peter Lorah, No. 463 ; H. G. Bomberger, No. 292 ; W. W. Buller, No. 481 ; Geo. C. Kane, No. 226 ; E. A. C. Lohman, No.

225 ; F. P. Seidel, No. 49 ; Jas. Frederick, No. 372 ; Dr. E. C. High, No. 463 ; J. F. Medlar, No. 488 ;

Marshal Second Division, Howard Boas.

Submitted respectfully in F., V. and H.,

HARRY P. REINICKE.

Lieutenant General.

P. G. C. Moore, of Indiana, moved that the report be received and adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

The Committee on Chart submitted the following report, viz.:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHART.

READING PA., Oct. 13, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROS. :—The following legislation of the Supreme Castle is from the proceedings of 1895, page 150 :

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that a Committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the publishing of a chart, who shall report at this session, and the motion was adopted.

The Supreme Chief, in accordance with the above action, appointed P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania ; P.G.C. Canada, of Indiana, and Supreme Chief Jacob H. Aull, of Maryland.

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P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the Committee on Chart be continued, with power to act, providing that it be at no expense to the Supreme Castle, and it was agreed to.

We desire to report that several meetings were held with Sir Knight Dawson Lawrence, of Good Will Castle, No. 75, of Pa., a publisher of various charts, the firm name being D. Lawrence & Co., After many changes and suggestions as to the design, we are pleased to say that we have perfected an Emblematic Chart, embracing the Castle, Temple, Commandery and D. B. F. work.

It is said, by those familiar with charts, that it is one of the finest ever produced.

The following agreement was enacted :—

AGREEMENT

Between J. D. Barnes, Jacob H. Aull and W. W. Canada, a Committee from and representing the Supreme Castle, Knights of the

Golden Eagle, appointed for the purpose (See pages 150 and 181, Supreme Castle proceedings, 1895), and Dawson Lawrence, trading as D. Lawrence & Co., South Bethlehem, Pa.

We, the Committee having power to act, in consideration of the premises hereto affixed, on behalf of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E., hereby grant unto Dawson Lawrence :

1. The exclusive privilege of publishing the Official Emblematic Chart-Certificate (and key thereto) of our Order.

2. The Supreme Castle agrees to protect him by such legislation and notification as may be necessary in the said privilege, to the end that no other pictorial illustration or chart of our work, methods or principles, authorized or not, shall be allowed to be sold to our members without the endorsement and acquiescence of the contracting parties thereto.

3. To affix the seal to the necessary and customary documents.

4. To make this agreement and accompanying commission part of the official record of the Supreme Castle session of 1896.

I, Dawson Lawrence, in consideration of the foregoing premises, agree :—

1. To publish the said Chart-Certificate, to protect the copyright and pay all expenses herein and hereby necessitated and called for.

2. To pay the Committee seven hundred and fifty dollars ($750.00) cash, and an additional sum of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.00) in my note, payable one year from date thereof.

J. D. BARNES, Chairman.
JACOB H. AULL,
W. W. CANADA,
Committee on Chart.

DAWSON LAWRENCE, trading as D. Lawrence & Co., of No. 75, of Pa.

The following commission, was prepared.

COMMISSION.

To the Officers and Members of the Knights of the Golden Eagle,

GREETING :—This will introduce to you Bro. of Castle No. who is an Agent for the official emblematic Chart-Certificate, of our Order.

We ask for him the usual courtesies.

Whilst each brother is free to purchase, the Supreme Castle suggests that each member procure one, to be fully informed of the principles of the Order and to have a beautiful ornament for his home.

The names of Agents, with territory, address and Castle are registered in the Supreme Castle office, and you are requested, not to deal with any Chart agent who does not produce this commission.

The price throughout the U. S. is $1.50 each.

(Seal) ——————Supreme Chief.

Attest : ——————S. M. of R.

J. D. BARNES, Chairman,
JACOB H. AULL,
W. W. CANADA,
Committee on Chart of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.

DAWSON LAWRENCE, trading as D. Lawrence & Co., No. 75, of Pa., Publisher.

Bro.——————territory is——————.

No changes are admissible in this official document.

We herewith present to the Supreme Castle, the $1000 mentioned above, and offer the following :—

1. That the Committee be continued for the purpose of perfecting some details in the work and key.

2. That we bespeak for Sir Knight Dawson Lawrence and his representatives a Knightly reception throughout the Order, whenever and wherever they shall produce the proper credentials under seal of the body.

Fraternally Submitted in F., V. and H.,
J. D. BARNES, Chairman,
JACOB H. AULL,
W. W. CANADA,
Committee on Chart.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved that the report be received and approved and the recommendation adopted, and the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Grand Temple of Pennsylvania, Ladies of the Golden Eagle, was read, viz.:

GRAND TEMPLE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
LADIES OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE,
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

RESPECTED COMPANIONS :—At the meeting of the Grand Temple, Ladies of the Golden Eagle, at Altoona, May 12th, 1896, the following resolutions were adopted:—

"Having had several applications for German Temples, and feeling that each application would be productive of a large increase of membership, we will hereby offer a resolution to the Supreme Chief to have Rituals translated in the German language."

"That the Supreme Castle confer the honors of P. G. T. on the G. G. of E. after having served five consecutive years.

Fraternally yours in F., H. and C.,

MRS. LOTTIE TURNER,
Grand Templar.

Attest:
MRS. JOSIE Y. WALTER,
Grand Guardian of Records.

P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland, moved that it be received and considered *seriatim*, and it was so ordered.

The resolution "to the Supreme Chief to have Rituals translated in the German language," having been read,

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the translation of the Ritual in the German language be laid over for one year, and the motion was agreed to.

The resolution "that the Supreme Castle confer the honors of Past Grand Templar on the Grand Guardian of Exchequer after having served five consecutive years," having been read,

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that the honors of Past Grand Templar be conferred upon a Grand Guardian of Exchequer who serves for five consecutive years, and the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Grand Castle of California was read, viz.:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND CASTLE, K. G. E. OF CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 26, 1896.

MR. WM. CULBERTSON, *S. M. of R.:*

SIR KNIGHT AND BRO.:—The following resolution was presented at the last session of the Grand Castle of California, and adopted:

WHEREAS, In the hope of creating a greater interest in the Death

Benefit Fund, and to bring it more prominently before the members of the Order; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Grand Castle petition the Supreme Castle to insert in the "Order of Business" for Subordinate Castles, the following words, to wit:—

Applications for membership in the Death Benefit Fund.

Fraternally yours, in F., V. and H.,

GEO. B. HANNA, *G. M. of R.*

S. H. P. Alexander, moved that the resolution be adopted and that "Applications for membership in the Death Benefit Fund" be placed in the Rules of Order, between new and unfinished business, and the motion was agreed to.

A communication from Justice Temple, No. 2, Massachusetts, Ladies of the Golden Eagle, was read, viz.:

BOSTON, MASS., Oct. 9th, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E., convening at Reading, Penn., October 13, 1896:

We, the undersigned, do most respectfully petition that a Companion serving five (5) terms as Guardian of Music be entitled to the honors of Past Templar.

Signed.

NELLIE M. MORRIS,
ANNIE E. SHEPARD,
MARIE A. LEWIS,
NELLIE K. McDONOUGH,
ANNIE P. WOOD,
CHARLES H. WOOD,
JENNIE M. COREY,
J. J. McDONOUGH,
FLORENCE E. ROBERTS,
LYMAN P. LEWIS,
JOHN B. ROBERTS,

Member of Justice Temple, No. 2, Boston, Mass.

P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland, moved that the petition be received and that the honors of Past Templar be conferred on a Guardian of Music serving five terms, and the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Grand Castle of New York, was read, viz.:

GRAND CASTLE OF NEW YORK,

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

OFFICE GRAND M. OF R., BROOKLYN, Oct. 8th, 1896.

WM. CULBERTSON, *S. M. of R.*:

SIR KNIGHT AND BRO:—At the last annual session of the Grand Castle of N. Y., a resolution was presented from Mizpah Temple, No. 4, asking that Past Templars' Certificates, suitable for framing, be issued to each Past Templar. The matter was referred to the Representative to the Supreme Castle, to present the same to that body.

Hoping that some action will be taken in the matter, I am

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

ROBT. C. WESTLEY,
Rep. to Sup. Castle.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the communication be received and the resolution be indefinitely postponed, and the motion was agreed to.

A communication from the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania was read, viz.:

GRAND CASTLE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

READING, PA., Oct. 15th, 1896.

I am directed by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania to offer the following:—

That the Supreme Castle adopt a Juvenile Order.

C. B. WOOD,
Representative for Pennsylvania.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that it be received and action deferred one year, and the motion was agreed to.

A communication from the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania was read, viz.:

GRAND CASTLE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

READING, PA., Oct. 15, 1896.

I am directed by the Grand Castle of Pennsylvania to offer the following :—

That the Supreme Castle adopt a $250.00 Death Benefit Fund.

C. B. WOOD,
Representative for Pennsylvania.

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be received and laid over until the Death Benefit Laws be taken up, and the motion was agreed to.

P. G. C. McDonald, of Colorado, submitted the following instructions for the Supreme Representative :

No. 1. That the Supreme Representative should be instructed to present the sense of this body in favor of amending the Laws governing the Death Benefit Fund, so that assessments should be graded according to the age of the member, and that he should use all honorable means to accomplish such a result.

No. 2. That the Supreme Representative be instructed to expend every effort to obtain the assistance of that body in furthering or promoting organization work in Colorado, either by the presence for a time in our State of the Supreme Castle Organizer, or to secure co-operative work between the Supreme Castle and the Grand Castle of Colorado, to place a professional organizer in the field.

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Grand Castle, that it would be feasible and advantageous to our members and the Order, did the Supreme Castle adopt such measures as would provide a low rate Benefit or Funeral Insurance of $250.00 ; that such laws could be enacted as would make it desirable for members of our Order to join generally ; that our Supreme Representative be instructed to use his every effort to advance the cause here referred to.

Recommended by the Grand Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle of Colorado, that its Supreme Representative use every endeavor to have the Supreme Castle pass laws making it obligatory that all work in conferring Degrees by Subordinate Castles be done without the use of the Rituals.

FRANK L. DODGE,
G. M. of R.

Instruction No. 1 and the resolution in relation to a $250.00 class having been read,

P. G. C. Aspril, of Delaware, moved that they be laid over until consideration of the Death Benefit Laws be taken up, and the motion was agreed to.

Instruction No. 2, in relation to Supreme Castle Officers having been read,

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved that it be referred to the Supreme Chief, and the motion was agreed to.

The recommendation in relation to the use of Rituals having been read,

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be postponed indefinitely, and the motion was agreed to.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that the recess to-day be extended until 3 o'clock, P. M., so as to permit the members to view the City, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Law submitted the following report on the subjects referred to them from the Supreme Chief's report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW.

READING, PA., Oct. 14, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROS:—We herewith submit a report on the Decisions and Recommendations contained in the report of the Supreme Chief.

Decisions Nos. 1, 2, 2½ approved.

Decision No. 3, Strike out "The Past Chief only gives the pass word in the Castle" on the first line "substituting the word "Past" for "Noble" on the second line.

Decisions Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7 approved.

Decision No. 8, Strike out the reply and insert "The election was illegal."

To avoid such cases, we recommend : " That hereafter when nominations or elections are held the G. of F. shall inform the N. T. of the ineligibility of any candidate ; her failure to do shall not act to the detriment of the candidate.

Decisions Nos. 9, 10 approved.

Decision No. 11, Strike out " need " and insert " shall ".

Decisions Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15 approved.

Decision No. 16, approved.

Decision No. 17, approved.

Decision No. 18, approved.

Recommendation No. 7. In pursuance of Law No. 16, page 5, and other sections of the Supreme Castle law, Grand Chiefs and Grand Castles have no authority whatever over Temples in said States. The Temples, however, make their semi-annual reports and send their per capita to the respective Grand Castles, where there is no Grand Temple.

The appointment of District Grand Templars hereafter shall be made by the Supreme Chief, they to be members of the Temple Degree.

Recommendation No. 9, That we agree with the report of the Supreme Chief, and refer the matter to the Supreme Castle.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.,

J. D. BARNES,

EDW. S. ROWAND.

P. G. C. Robertson, of New Jersey, moved that the report be received and the recommendations be considered *seriatim*, and it was so ordered.

The recommendation that Decisions Nos. 1, 2, and 2½ be approved, was adopted.

The recommendation that Decision No. 3 be approved, by striking out the words "The Past Chief only gives the password in the Castle," and substituting the word "Past" for "Noble" on the second line, was adopted.

The recommendation that Decisions Nos. 4, 5, 6, and 7 be approved, was adopted.

The recommendation that Decision No. 8 be disapproved and in place thereof the following be substituted, was adopted:

"The election was illegal," and to avoid such cases the Committee recommend "That hereafter when nominations or elections are held, the Guardian of Finance shall inform the Noble Templar of the ineligibility of any candidate; her failure to do so shall not act to the detriment of the candidate."

The recommendation that Decisions Nos. 9 and 10 be approved, was adopted.

The recommendation that Decision No. 11, be amended, by striking out the word "need" on third line and inserting the word "shall," so as to read "Passwords shall not be taken or signs given" be approved, was adopted.

The recommendation that Decisions Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 be approved, was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Recommendation No. 7 of the Supreme Chief, having been read,

S. H. P. Alexander moved that it be adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that the Supreme Master of Records be instructed to notify Grand Castles, by circular, of the above decision, also Question No. 6, adopted at the last session, and the motion was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Recommendation No. 9, in relation to "The New Jersey Mortuary Fund," that it be referred to the Supreme Castle, having been read,

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted, and it was agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that further consideration of "The New Jersey Mortuary Fund" be deferred until after recess, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Daniel M. Zeigler, of Maryland, stated that he

would be unable to attend the session of the Supreme Castle after recess to-day; the Supreme Chief, A. C. Lyttle, on behalf of the Supreme Castle, presented the Brother with a handsome Past Supreme Chief's Badge and Jewel, which was accepted by P. S. C. Zeigler in a few feeling remarks.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, requested a decision in relation to the Question Book.

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S. H. P. Alexander moved that the Supreme Master of Records be instructed to issue a circular to Grand Masters of Records, embodying changes in the Ritual, and that a sufficient number be sent to supply each Castle, and the motion was agreed to.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, at 4.15 o'clock, P. M., the Supreme Officers at their respective posts, and a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs present.

The Supreme Chief stated that "The New Jersey Mortuary Fund" was now before the Supreme Castle.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, occupied the floor over an hour in explaining "The New Jersey Mortuary Fund," as adopted at the annual session of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, held at Atlantic City, September 9 and 10, 1896.

Supreme Keeper of Exchequer McCarthy, at the conclusion of the remarks of the Representative of New Jersey, in establishing a Mortuary Fund, be declared illegal.

P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, moved that the hour be extended until 6.45 o'clock, and the motion was agreed to.

S. H. P. Alexander called for the previous question.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, requested that unanimous consent be given to offer a motion.

P. S. C. Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, refused to give his consent.

The hour of 6.45 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until Friday morning, at 9 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY.

READING, PA., October 16, 1896.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, on Friday morning, October 16, 1896, at 9 o'clock, in the Knights of the Golden Eagle Hall, Court street, Reading, Pa.

Present:

A. C. LYTTLE..... .....Supreme Chief.
WILLIAM OSCAR BROWN.....Supreme Vice Chief.
A. H. ALEXANDER.....Supreme High Priest.
TIMOTHY MCCARTHY.....Supreme Keeper of Exchequer.
WILLIAM CULBERTSON.....Supreme Master of Records.
JOHN ASPRIL .....Supreme Sir Herald, *p. t.*
HOWARD WINSLOW.....Supreme First Guardsman, *p. t.*
R EMORY ENNISS..... .....Supreme Second Guardsman, *p. t.*

And a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs, viz.:

MARYLAND—Jacob H. Aull, *P. S. C.*, Richard W. Maccubbin, R. Emory Enniss, *P. S. C.*, James E. Whiteford, *Surg. Gen.*, William R. Smiley.

PENNSYLVANIA—Edward S. Rowand, *P. S. C.*, Timothy McCarthy, *S. K. of E.*, William Culbertson, *S. M. of R.*, John Dickinson, *P. S. C.*, J. D. Barnes, *P. S. C.*, A. C. Lyttle, *S. C.*, D. D. Blauch, Charles B. Wood, Jenkin Hill.

MASSACHUSETTS—Lyman P. Lewis, *P. S. C.*

DELAWARE—John B. Treibler, Jr., William Oscar Brown, *S. V. C.*, John Aspril, Garrett S. Smith, J. Albert Lynam, Charles H. Hudson.

NEW JERSEY—George J. Robertson, James E. Highley, Walter A. Barrows, John C. F. Trachsell.

WEST VIRGINIA—Lewis P. Creekbaum.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Henry T. Adams.

OHIO—A. H. Alexander, *S. H. P.*, E. V. Moore.

CONNECTICUT—Ernst Koch, *P. S. C.*, Willis H. Roden, Joseph P. Dickinson.

KENTUCKY—Eli W. Le Feber.

COLORADO—A. McDonald.

INDIANA—James Patchell, Cyrus Moore.

MAINE—Howard Winslow, *S. S. G.*, Charles F. Hayford.

The Supreme Castle was opened in due form.

The Supreme Chief announced that the previous question had been called prior to recess yesterday, and was now before the body.

P. S. C. Koch, of Connecticut, requested unanimous consent to present a motion, but S. H. P. Alexander refused consent.

For the previous question : ayes 17, nays 9, and it was agreed to.

The Supreme Chief stated that the question now before the body was the motion of S. K. of E. McCarthy, and the motion was not agreed to.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, We have been informed by the Supreme Chief, in his report, that at the session of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, held at Atlantic City on September 9th and 10th, at which session there was adopted rules and regulations for the establishment and management of a fund, to be called The New Jersey Mortuary Fund, which action he considered in violation of Article XIV of the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund ; and

WHEREAS, We have been informed by the Representative of New Jersey that it was not the intention of the Grand Castle of New Jersey to do any thing contrary to the Laws of the Supreme Castle, but that they were always loyal, and wished to continue so ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Grand Castle of New Jersey be notified that its action in said matter was contrary to Art. XIV of the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund.

P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, moved that it be adopted.

P. G. C. Whiteford, of Maryland, moved to amend by adding "and Article VII, Section 3, paragraph 24, of the Supreme Castle Constitution," and the amendment was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was then adopted unanimously.

The resolution as amended reads :

WHEREAS, We have been informed by the Supreme Chief, in his report, that at the session of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, held at Atlantic City, on September 9 and 10, at which session there was adopted rules and regulations for the establishment and management of a fund to be called The New Jersey Mortuary Fund, which action he considered in violation of Art. XIV of the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund ; and

WHEREAS, We have been informed by the Representative of New Jersey that it was not the intention of the Grand Castle of New Jersey to do anything contrary to the Laws of the Supreme Castle, but that they were always loyal, and wish to continue so ; therefore

Resolved, That the Grand Castle of New Jersey be notified that its action in said matter was contrary to XIV of the Laws of the Death Benefit Fund and Article VII, Section 3, paragraph 24, of the Supreme Castle Constitution.

The Committee to whom had been referred the Death Benefit Fund reports, submitted the following report:

READING, PA., Oct. 15, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROS. :—We the Committee appointed on the Death Benefit Fund, refer the same to the Supreme Castle for action.

Fraternally.

JACOB H. AULL, Chairman.
E. W. LEFEBER.
J. P. DICKINSON,

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that the report of the Executive Board be now considered, and that action be taken on each recommendation as it is reached, and the motion was agreed to.

The recommendation asking for the approval of the action of the Board in borrowing the additional sum of $3,000 from the Reserve Fund, having been read,

P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts, moved that it be approved, and the motion was agreed to.

The recommendation to cancel the loan of $5,000, having been read,

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that the recommendation be deferred until after action on the proposed amendments to the Laws governing the Fund, and it was so ordered.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that the Executive Board be directed to call an additional assessment each month until the entire indebtedness has been paid, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the Executive Board be authorized to borrow the amount necessary to pay off the claims, and the bonds be given as collateral security.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that further action be deferred until after consideration of the amendments to the Laws, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that when we take recess, the Supreme Castle reconvene at 1 o'clock, P. M., and the motion was agreed to.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved that the installation of officers take place at the conclusion of business, and the motion was agreed to.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Supreme Chief declared a recess until 1 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Supreme Castle reconvened, pursuant to recess, at 1 o'clock, P. M., the Supreme Officers at their respective posts, and a quorum of Past Grand Chiefs present.

Supreme Master of Records Culbertson moved that five days' hotel expenses be allowed to the officers and members of committees who were in attendance throughout the session, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky, moved that we now proceed to act on the amendments to the Death Benefit Laws, and the motion was adopted.

The amendment to Section 2, Article II, having been read, viz.:

Article II, Section 2, add after the words "Executive Board" the words "and issuing of certificate."

P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 2. Applicants for membership must be between the ages of eighteen and fifty years, and must pass a medical examination prior to their admission, and no applicant for membership shall be entitled to the benefits prescribed in Article VI, Section 2, before his or her application shall have been approved by the Executive Board and issuing of certificate.

The amendment to Section 3, Article II, having been read, P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 3. The admission fee and expenses shall be as follows:

	Class—A $1,000.	Class—B $500	Class—C $250
1. Admission Fee (including certificate)	50	50	25
2. Advance Assessment, as per table in Art. IV			
3. One quarter's dues in advance	25	25	25
4. Medical Examiner's fee	$1 00	$1 00	50
5. Supreme Medical Examiner's fee	50	50	25

The amendment to Section 2, Article III, having been read, viz.:

Article III, Section 2, add after the word "business" in last line, the words, "He shall sign all certificates issued by the Executive Board."

S. H. P. Alexander moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 2. It is the duty of the Supreme Chief to see that the Laws are properly enforced. He shall have general supervision over the affairs of the Death Benefit Fund; shall sign all orders for money drawn on the Supreme Keeper of Exchequer under these Laws; and in case of necessity shall call together the Executive Board at such time and place as he may designate. He shall preside at all meetings of the Board. He shall decide upon the correctness of the death of members, and the validity of their beneficiaries' claims. He shall direct the call of all assessments, and shall decide all questions arising in the transaction of the ordinary business. He shall sign all certificates issued by the Executive Board.

The amendment to Section 4, same article, having been read, viz.:

Article III, Section 4. Insert between the words "shall" and "keep," sixth line, page 4, the words, "issue all Death Benefit certificates and."

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 4. The Supreme Master of Records shall keep a true and accurate account with all the members of the Death Benefit Fund, each Subordinate Castle's members separately, under the head of each Grand Jurisdiction to which the Castle belongs. He shall receive all assessments, dues and other indebtedness from the Subordinate Castles on account of their members, giving his receipt therefor, and pay the same semi-monthly to the Supreme Keeper of Exchequer, specifying the fund to which each amount belongs. He

shall issue all Death Benefit certificates and keep a record of all deceased members, containing their name, age, rank, cause of death, name and number of Castle, and jurisdiction, and amount paid on account of assessments. He shall examine all certificates of death and beneficiaries' claims, and transmit the same immediately to the Supreme Chief, with all information in respect to validity of claim in his possession. He shall draw all orders for money on the Supreme Keeper of Exchequer. He shall promptly send notices of calls for assessments. He shall keep an accurate record of the meetings of the Executive Board. He shall send semi-annual statements of the condition of the Fund to all Subordinate Castles, through the medium of the *Knights of the Golden Eagle*, which for this purpose is hereby made the official organ of the Death Benefit Fund. He shall have charge of all correspondence, and render to the Supreme Castle at each regular session a full and complete report, and perform all other duties pertaining to his office. Before entering upon his duties he shall give such bonds as the Executive Board may deem proper for the faithful performance of his duties. He shall receive for his services such compensation as the Executive Board may deem advisable.

The amendment to Section 1, Article IV, having been read, viz.:

ARTICLE IV.

ASSESSMENTS AND DUES.

Table of Monthly Payments.

Ages.	$250	$500	$1,000
Eighteen to twenty-four	15	30	60
Twenty-five to twenty-nine	16	32	64
Thirty to thirty-four	18	36	72
Thirty-five to thirty-nine	21	42	84
Forty to forty-four	25	50	$1 00
Forty-five to forty-nine	33	66	1 32
Fifty and over	34	88	1 76

These rates are to be applied to all members at their attained ages at the time the rates are put into operation, and upon all new members upon date of their connection with the Fund. The members to advance from the lower group to the next higher group, the advance to be made on the 1st day of January of each year, on the basis of the attained ages of the members at that date.

S. H. P. Alexander moved to strike out "Table of Monthly

Payments," and insert the words "Rates of Assessments," and the motion was agreed to.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved the adoption of the rates, and after considerable debate the motion was unanimously agreed to.

P. G. C. Adams, of District of Columbia, moved the adoption of the balance of the amendments in relation to the rates, and the motion and amendment were agreed to.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that "The annual dues shall be one dollar, payable quarterly in advance, in the months of January, April, July, and October," and the motion was adopted.

Section 1, Article IV, as amended, was then adopted.

The amendment to strike out Section 2 of the same Article, having been read, P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be adopted, and the motion was not agreed to.

The amendment to Section 3 of same Article, having been read, viz.:

SEC. 3. When an assessment or quarterly dues is due and remains unpaid over thirty days, the member becomes non-beneficial, and his beneficiary is thereby debarred from the benefits until the same be paid to the Supreme Master of Records. Should he fail to pay all the assessments and dues, as herein set forth, within the time prescribed for the payment of the latter assessment, he is thereby suspended from membership in the Death Benefit Fund.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to amend by adding the following:

"When a member has been suspended for non-payment of assessments, the Supreme Master of Records shall notify him by letter, stating the amount of indebtedness and the manner of reinstatement,"

And the amendment was adopted.

The section as amended reads :

SEC. 3. When an assessment or quarterly dues is due and remains unpaid over thirty days, the member becomes non-beneficial, and his beneficiary is thereby debarred from the benefits until the same be paid to the Supreme Master of Records. Should he fail to pay all the assessments and dues, as herein set forth, within the time prescribed for the payment of the latter assessment, he is thereby suspended from membership in the Death Benefit Fund.

When a member has been suspended for non-payment of assessments, the Supreme Master of Records shall notify him by letter, stating the amount of indebtedness and the manner of reinstatement.

The section as amended was then adopted.

The amendment to Section 1, of Article V, by adding:

The applicant must sign his Christian name in full to the application,

Having been read,

P. G. C. Moore, of Indiana, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SECTION 1. All applications for membership in the Death Benefit Fund shall be made through the Castle to which the applicant belongs, and the Master of Records of such Castle must thereupon certify to such applicant's standing, and forward the same to Supreme Master of Records, under seal of the Castle. The applicant must sign his Christian name in full to the application.

The amendment to Section 2 of the same Article, to strike out the words:

A failure of the Master of Records to comply with this requirement will debar the members of his Castle from benefits, as per Section 3 of Article IV.

And to insert after the word " due " on the last line the words "or forward their receipt showing the same had been paid," was read,

P. G. C. Robertson, of New Jersey, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 2. Castles shall collect from their members who are also members of the Death Benefit Fund, all assessments when called, and dues as they become due, and forward the same to the Supreme Master of Records, not later than the fifth day of each month, who shall give his receipt therefor. Should the Master of Records fail to forward the assessments in the time prescribed, the Supreme Master of Records shall notify each and every member of the Castle who is a member of the Fund of that fact, and they shall have fifteen days in which to forward the amount due, or forward their receipt showing the same has been paid.

The amendment to Section 4 of the same Article, having been read, viz.:

SEC. 4. Strike out the word "fifty" on second line, page 8, and insert "twenty-five," and change the word "annually" to "semi-annually;" strike out "September" and insert "the months of May and November."

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 4. For the purpose of compensating Masters of Records of Castles for services rendered, and expenses incurred for postage, etc., in connection with the Death Benefit Fund, there shall be collected an additional amount of twenty-five cents semi-annually, in the months of May and November, and the amount thus collected shall be retained by them as compensation for all such services and expenses. Notice of said additional amount to be collected shall be printed on the card issued by the Supreme Castle.

The amendment to Section 1, of Article VI, having been read, viz.:

SECTION 1. Add after the words "Class B," in third line, "nor two hundred and fifty dollars in Class C."

P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SECTION 1. The amount paid to the beneficiaries shall in no case exceed ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS in Class A, nor FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS in Class B, nor TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS in Class C. Should the membership at any time be reduced to less than two thousand, the amount paid shall be that realized on the assessment.

The amendment to Section 2 of the same Article, having been read, viz.:

SEC. 2. Strike out, after the word "cause," in sixth line, up to and including the word "claim,' and insert the words "the same to be paid."

P. G. C. Moore, of Ohio, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 2. When a member dies, who was at the time of his or her death in good standing, which by virtue of these Laws entitled his or her beneficiary to death benefits, the Supreme Chief shall, when the proof of such death, and the validity of such beneficiary's claims are fully established, cause the same to be paid to the person or persons designated by said member in his or her beneficiaries certificate as his or her beneficiary or beneficiaries, the sum named in his or her certificate, or as much as is provided for in Section 1 of this Article.

The amendment to Section 4 of the same Article, having been read, viz.:

To strike out the word "therein," on third line.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to strike out the word "named" on third line and insert the words "designated therein," and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved to further amend by adding the following:

When the beneficiary of a member is deceased, or if he shall have a legal divorce from his wife when she is the beneficiary, and the member is unable to procure his certificate for the purpose of nam-

ing a new beneficiary, that upon due proof made by him that the beneficiary named in the certificate is deceased or legally divorced, and that the certificate is out of his possession and cannot be obtained by him, upon his signing a new contract, naming new beneficiary or beneficiaries, of class or classes, in accordance with the law, a new certificate shall be issued.

The motion and the amendment were agreed to.

The section as amended was then adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SEC. 4. The death benefit certificate shall be issued for the benefit of such person or persons as may be designated therein, and no person or persons shall receive any benefits unless they be so named. When children are named, if less than all are selected, the name or names must be given. When minor children are made beneficiaries, a trustee must be named. When the member has no living relative, a friend may be named; but in no case shall a member be permitted to name any creditor as his beneficiary.

When the beneficiary of a member is deceased, or if he shall have a legal divorce from his wife when she is the beneficiary, and the member is unable to procure his certificate for the purpose of naming a new beneficiary, that upon due proof made by him that the beneficiary named in the certificate is deceased or legally divorced, and that the certificate is out of his possession and cannot be obtained by him, upon his signing a new contract, naming new beneficiary or beneficiaries, of class or classes, in accordance with the law, a new certificate shall be issued.

The amendment to Section 5 of the same Article, having been read, viz.:

SEC. 5. Insert in second line between the words "destroyed" and "a," the words "he or she must apply for."

P. G. C. Roden, of Connecticut, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The section as amended reads:

SECT. 5. When a member has lost his death benefit certificate, or it has been destroyed, he or she must apply for a duplicate, which shall be granted to him upon his filing with the Supreme Master of

Records a statement of the facts, attested by the Master of Records of his Castle, over the seal of the Castle, and the payment of fifty cents.

The amendment to article X, by adding a new section to be known as Section 6, having been read, viz:

SECT. 6. Any applicant who has been examined, and whose examination papers have not been forwarded to the Supreme Medical Examiner within sixty days after such examination, must be re-examined before being admitted to membership in the Fund.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The amendment to Article XV, having been read, viz:

Strike out the words "semi-annually," in second line, and insert the word "quarterly."

P. G. C. Lynam, of Delaware, moved the adoption of the amendment, and the motion and amendment were adopted.

The article as amended reads:

ARTICLE XV.

The books and accounts of the Death Benefit Fund shall be audited quarterly by the Committee on Finance and Mileage of the Supreme Castle, who shall report its financial condition at each annual session of the Supreme Castle. A special examination of the books and accounts shall also be made by direction of the Supreme Chief, when requested by seven Castles, representing not less than three Grand Jurisdictions.

P. G. C. Highley, of New Jersey, moved that the amendments be adopted as a whole, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that all sections or portions of the law in conflict with the amendments adopted be repealed, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Treibler, of Delaware, moved that the laws be pro-

mulgated, to go into effect on January 1, 1897, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Barrows, of New Jersey, moved that all sections referring to the Reserve Fund be repealed, and the motion was adopted.

S. H. P. Alexander moved that all securities now held in the Reserve Fund be transferred to the Beneficiary Fund, and the motion was adopted.

The motion of P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, authorizing the Executive Board to borrow the amount necessary to pay off the claims, which had been deferred until after consideration of the amendments, was now considered, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that "Applications for membership in the Death Benefit Fund" be placed in the Rules of Order in the Ritual of the Temple, and the motion was adopted.

A communication from the Grand Castle of Ohio was read, viz:

READING, PA., October 15, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

At the annual session of the Grand Castle of Ohio, held in Columbus, August 25-27, 1896, the Supreme Representative was instructed to ask the Supreme Castle to provide for a travelling password.

E. V. MOORE, Supreme Representative.

P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky, moved that it be laid on the table, and the motion was agreed to.

Past Grand Chiefs Hudson, Smith, Lynam, and Aspril, of Delaware, presented the following resolution:

READING, PA., October 16, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle :

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—The following is offered for your consideration :

Resolved, That any Grand Jurisdiction be allowed to create a general fund for the payment of Funeral Benefits, provided said funeral benefit shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

CHAS. H. HUDSON,
GARRETT S. SMITH,
J. ALBERT LYNAM,
JOHN ASPRIL,

The Supreme Chief ruled that the resolution was not admissible.

P. G. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, asked "Can two or more Castles co-operate to form a Funeral Benefit Fund?"

The Supreme Chief ruled : "In view of paragraph 24, Section 3, of Article 7, of the Supreme Castle Constitution, I decide that they cannot."

P. S. C. Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, moved that the decision of the Supreme Chief be confirmed, and the motion was adopted by 23 yeas and 4 nays.

The Committee on Incorporation submitted the following:

READING, PA., October 15, 1896.

To the Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle :

At the session of Supreme Castle held at Washington in 1895, a special committee of three was appointed "To take into consideration the propriety of the Supreme Castle becoming an incorporated body, the committee to report at next session."

Being the only member of said committee present at this session, I would respectfully report : The Committee met immediately after the adjournment of last session, and a line of inquiry agreed upon,

no further action has been taken by the chairman. An examination of the Laws of the various States, as printed in insurance handbooks, leads me to suggest the appointment of a new committee, with instructions to report at next session.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN B. TREIBLER, JR.,

P. G. C. Hill, of Pennsylvania, moved that the report be received and recommendation adopted, and the motion was adopted.

P. G. C. Smiley, representative from Maryland, submitted the following :

READING, PA., October 15, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle :

At annual session of the Grand Castle of Maryland, the following resolution was presented and adopted :

Resolved, That the representatives of this Grand Castle request the Supreme Castle to embody in the opening and closing ceremonies of Subordinate Castles the cardinal points of the obligations of the three degrees.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. R. SMILEY.

P. G. C. LeFebre, of Kentucky, moved that it be postponed indefinitely, and the motion was agreed to.

The following amendments to the Constitution were submitted, and ordered to lie over until the next annual session:

Amend Section 3, Article V, of the Constitution by adding the word "quarterly" immediately after the word "Exchequer," in third line.

JOHN B. TREIBLER, Jr., of Delaware.

Amend Section 3, Article VI, of the Constitution by adding the following:

Provided, That when the membership in any State, Territory, Province or Country, having a Grand Castle, shall be reduced to less than five hundred (500) members, or to less than five Castles, the Supreme Chief may annul the charter, and that in the mean-

time the said Grand Castle or its Representatives shall not be entitled to mileage for the latter.

EDWARD S. ROWAND,
J. D. BARNES,
of Pennsylvania.

Amend Section 4, Article VI, by striking out in the fourth and fifth lines the following words, "and the following appointed officers, who shall be appointed annually by the Grand Chief."

L. P. CREEKBAUM,
of West Virginia.

Amend paragraph 2, Section 3, Article VII, by striking out the word "seven" in two places and insert the word "five."

J. D. BARNES, of Pennsylvania.

Amend Article VIII, by striking out the word "five" in second line and insert the word "ten."

Strike out the word "four" in fifth line and insert the word "two."

Strike out the words, beginning with the word "after" in fifth line and ending with the word "dollars" on sixth line, and insert the words "and an additional two cents per capita on each and every member over and above two thousand."

Strike out the word "five" in eighth line and insert the word "ten."

JOHN B. TREIBLER, Jr., of Delaware.

Amendment to the Constitution for Temples of the Ladies of the Golden Eagle.

READING, PA., October 16, 1896.

To the Officers and Members of the
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

The undersigned offers the following amendment, "That in Jurisdictions where there is no Grand Temple the Grand Chief shall be a member of the Temple Degree when eligible, and that he may give decisions subject to appoval of Committee on Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN P. LEWIS, Massachusetts,
ERNST KOCH, Connecticut,
CHAS. F. HAYFORD, Maine.

The Committee on Finance and Mileage submitted the following:

READING, PA., October 16, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members of the Supreme Castle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—Your Committee on Finance and Mileage respectfully report that they have examined the following bills and recommend that they be paid :

A. C. Lyttle, Supreme Chief, postage, etc	$39 50
E. D. Senseman, printing circulars	8 25
Committee on Hall, rent of office (Sept.)	41 66
Organizer of Monroe Castle, No. 20, N. Y.	15 00
Organizer of Getaway Castle, No. 80, Ohio	15 00
Organizer of Windsor Castle, No. 82, Ohio	15 00
	$134 40

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

JOHN DICKINSON,
JOHN B. TREIBLER, JR.,
JOHN ASPRIL,
Committee on Finance and Mileage.

P. G. C. LeFeber, of Kentucky, moved that the report be received and the bill paid, and the motion was adopted.

The Committee on Revision of Laws of the Military Branch and Degree of Chivalry presented a bill amounting to $103.00 for expenses of Degree Team (26 men), including rent of hall.

P. G. C. Robertson, of New Jersey, moved that the bill be received and an order drawn for the amount, and the motion was adopted.

Supreme Master of Records Culbertson presented a bill of John F. Boyer, for carriage hire, amounting to $35.10.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the bill be received and an order drawn for the amount, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that hereafter the

Committee on Printing be directed to advertise for printing for the ensuing year, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that the Executive Board of the Death Benefit Fund send an article for each issue of the paper and that the quarterly statement be also printed, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, submitted the following resolution and moved that it be adopted, and the motion was adopted :

"That in recognition of the valuable services to the Supreme Castle and the Order, by P. G. C. C. B. Wood, of Pennsylvania, in his authorship of the opening, closing, institution, installation, and Past Templar's ceremonies of a Grand Temple, Ladies' of the Golden Eagle, funeral ceremony and Temple of Sorrows, Golden Eagle music odes for Castles, Temples, and Commanderies, which are enumerated in the proceedings of the Supreme Castle, also the authorship of the Degree of Chivalry, institution, opening, closing, and installation ceremonies of Grand and Subordinate Commanderies and the Grand Chevalier's Degree, and the laws relating to the Degree of Chivalry, that the honors of Past Supreme Chief be conferred upon him."

P. S. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that the Clerk of Exchequer be authorized to convey the S. A. P. W., in the interim of the session, to all entitled, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, submitted the following:

That when a dispensation has been granted to confer three degrees on one night, on one or more candidates, it is not necessary to confer the first degree before balloting for second and third degrees, but that individual ballot shall be taken for the first degree and all candidates being accepted one collective ballot shall be taken for the second and third degrees combined.

That the reference to the voting sign, as printed in the second and third degrees, be omitted when delivering the Past Chief's charges in these degrees.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that it be adopted, and the motion was agreed to.

P. G. C. Moore of Ohio, submitted a Code of Laws, and moved that they be referred to the Committee on Law, and the motion was agreed to.

The Special Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report, viz:

READING, PA., October 16, 1896.

To the Supreme Chief, Officers and Members
Supreme Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle:

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—We, the Special Committee of Appeals and Grievances, beg leave to report that inasmuch as the Committee have been continuously engaged in the sessions, and have not had the opportunity or time to try the case referred to them for their action, request that the case be referred to the incoming Committee on Appeals and Grievances, and that they, the Special Committee be discharged.

Yours in F., V. and H.,

J. H. AULL, *Chairman*,
E. V. MOORE,
J. E. HIGHLEY.

P. G. C. Maccubbin, of Maryland, moved that the report be received and the request complied with, and the motion was agreed to.

P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, moved that we now proceed to the installation of officers for the ensuing year, and the motion was adopted.

Supreme Chief Lyttle called P. S. C. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, to the post of Supreme Chief, who, assisted by P. S. C. Aull, of Maryland; P. S. C. Lewis, of Massachusetts; P. S. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, and P. G. C. Hill, of Pennsylvania, duly installed the following Supreme Officers into their respective posts:

Supreme Chief—WILLIAM OSCAR BROWN, of Delaware.
Supreme Vice-Chief—E. V. MOORE, of Ohio.
Supreme High Priest—A. H. Alexander, of Ohio.
Supreme Master of Records—William Culbertson, of Pennsylvania.
Supreme Sir Herald—Joseph P. Dickinson, of Connecticut.
Supreme First Guardsman—Howard Winslow, of Maine
Supreme Second Guardsman—Eli W. LeFeber, of Kentucky.

Supreme Chief Brown announced his appointments on the Standing Committees and Deputy Supreme Chiefs, for the ensuing year, as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Law—P. S. C. J. D. Barnes, Chairman, 1820 North Sixth Street, Philadelphia; P. S. C. Edward S. Rowand, of Pennsylvania, and P. G. C. John Aspril, of Delaware.

Committee on Finance and Mileage—P. G. C. John Dickinson, Chairman, 2216 North Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia; P. G. C. John B. Treibler, Jr., of Delaware; P. G. C. George J. Robertson, of New Jersey; P. G. C. George R. Cross, of Maryland, and P. G. C. Jacob H. Thompson, of Delaware.

Committee on Appeals and Grievances—P. S. C. Jacob H. Aull, Chairman, 306 East Lexington Street, Baltimore, Maryland; P. S. C. A. C. Lyttle, of Pennsylvania; P. S. C. Ernst Koch, of Connecticut; P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, of New Jersey; P. G. C. William R. Smiley, of Maryland.

Committee on Printing—P. G. C. Robert M. Foust, Chairman, Woodbury, N. J.; P. S. C. Lyman P. Lewis, of Massachusetts, and P. G. C. Daniel W. Hallock, of New York.

DEPUTY SUPREME CHIEFS.

IOWA.—P. C. John W. Bird, Lincoln Castle, No. 1.

ILLINOIS.—State—P. C. W. H. Bean, Chicago Castle, No. 6. *German Castle*—P. C. Hermann Michel, Schiller Castle, No. 7.

VIRGINIA.—State—P. C. J. H. Patterson, Roanoke Castle, No. 6; Henrico County—P. C. O. N. Keiningham, Richmond Castle, No. 4; Alexandria County—P. C. William T. Rogers, Champion Castle, No. 5; Pulaski County—Richard James, Morriston Castle, No. 2.

LOUISIANA.—State—P. C. John Hemel, Louisiana Castle, No. 2; Parish of Caddo, P. C. G. H. Brewer, Shreveport Castle, No. 4.

NEBRASKA.—State—P. C. C. M. Coffin, Red Cross Castle, No. 4; Lancaster County—P. C. Thomas W. Hurd, Elite Castle, No. 5.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—State—P. C. Richard E. Hannaford, Oak Castle, No. 4 ; Strafford County—P. C. George F. Hershey, Coeur de Lion Castle, No. 2.

WISCONSIN.—State—*German Castles*—P. C. F. L. Krieger, Juneau Castle, No. 1 ; State—Dr. J. T. Hambley, Phoenix Castle, No. 4 ; Monroe County—P. C. H. H. Smith, Liberty Castle, No. 5 ; Ontagamie County—Samuel Ryan, Appleton Castle, No. 7.

NORTH CAROLINA.—P. C. G. W. Carter, Concordia Castle, No. 1.

RHODE ISLAND.—P. C. Thomas E. Nudd, Norman Castle, No. 1.

WYOMING.—State—P. C. Mark Leeson, Pride of Wyoming Castle, No. 1; Uinta County—P. C. Joseph Reeves, Jr., Wyoming Castle, No. 2.

FLORIDA.—P. C. E. Goehring, Key of the Gulf Castle, No. 2.

TEXAS.—State—P. C. H. Hermann, Rising Star Castle, No. 1 ; Galveston County—P. C. A. Fedder, Rising Star Castle, No. 1.

GEORGIA.—P. G. C. John F. Lubs, Georgia Castle, No. 11.

MISSOURI.—St Louis County—P. C. F. W. Danné, Mozart Castle No. 7 ; Buchanan County— P. C. W. W. Strickler, Geierstein Castle, No. 8; Jasper County—P. C. J. J. Jeffers, Red Cross Castle, No. 4.

Supreme High Priest Alexander moved that the appointments be confirmed, and the motion was adopted.

Supreme Chief Brown announced as the Committee on Incorporation, P. G. C. John B. Treibler, Jr., of Delaware; P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, of New Jersey, and P. S. C. J. D. Barnes, of Pennsylvania.

P. S. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, submitted the following:

WHEREAS, The members of this Supreme Castle desire to place on record an expression of their sincere appreciation of the hospitality they have received on their visit to the City of Reading, therefore be it

Resolved, That our best thanks are tendered to Captain Wm. H. Houck, Chief Marshal and Chairman, Elmer E. Reeser, Secretary, and Prof. R. A. Townsend, Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and to the members of the General Committee, for the excellence of their arrangements and untiring efforts which have so successfully resulted in making every member of this Supreme Castle feel that the welcome has been all that was anticipated.

To the Castles, Temples and Commanderies of Reading for the completeness of their projects, which, had the weather been favorable, would have made their demonstration in our honor the most successful and elaborate in the annals of our Order.

To the citizens of the beautiful City of Reading for their admirable exemplification of that hospitality, which was anticipated from the well-earned reputation it has deservingly enjoyed as a convention city.

To the Reading Eagle, Herald, Times, Review, and Telegram for the favorable notices and happy allusions, which they have made, regarding our Noble Order, and especially to the Reading Eagle for the unlimited space they have devoted to render a complete report of all our proceedings,

C. B. Wood, Pennsylvania,
D. D. Blanch, Pennsylvania,
John Dickinson, Pennsylvania,
Jacob H. Aull, Maryland,
James E. Whitford, M. D., Md.,
William R. Smiley, Maryland,
Howard Winslow, Maine,
John B. Treibler, Jr., Delaware,
John Aspril, Delaware,
J. Albert Lynam, Delaware,
L. P. Creekbaum, West Virginia,
George J. Robertson, New Jersey
John C. F. Trachsell, New Jersey,
Henry T. Adams, Dist. of Col.,
E. V. Moore, Ohio,
Ernst Koch, Connecticut,
A. McDonald, Colorado,
James Patchell, Indiana.
Edward S Rowand, Pennsylvania,
A. C. Lyttle, Pennsylvania,
Timothy McCarthy, Pennsylvania,
William Culbertson, Pennsylvania,
Richard W. Maccubbin, Maryland,
R. Emory Enniss, Maryland,
Lyman P. Lewis, Massachusetts,
Charles F. Hayford, Maine,
Wm. Oscar Brown, Delaware,
Garrett S. Smith, Delaware,
Charles H. Hudson, Delaware,
Walter A. Barrows, New Jersey,
James E. Highley, New Jersey,
Eli W. LeFeber, Kentucky,
A. H. Alexander, Ohio,
Joseph P. Dickinson, Connecticut,
Willis H. Roden, Connecticut,
Cyrus Moore, Indiana.

P. G. C. Creekbaum, of West Virginia, moved that the preamble and resolutions be adopted by a rising vote, and it was unanimously agreed to.

P. S. C. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, moved that a fee of $15 be paid for organizing Castles under jurisdiction of Grand Castles, and $25 for Castles under the immediate jurisdiction of the Supreme Castle, in pursuance to our present resolutions, and the motion was adopted.

P. S. C. Wood, of Pennsylvania, moved that the thanks of the Supreme Castle be tendered the Knights of the Golden Eagle Hall Association for the gratuitous use of the hall, and to P. G. C. Hill and escort to the Supreme Castle on the morning of October 13th, and the motion was adopted.

The business of the session having been concluded, the Supreme Castle closed in due form at 6 o'clock P. M., on Friday, October 16th, the Supreme Chief declaring the Supreme Castle adjourned to meet in annual session in the City of Trenton, N. J., on the second Tuesday of October, 1897.

Attest:

Supreme Master of Records.

In Memoriam

Name.	*Jurisdiction.*	*Admitted.*	*Died.*
George Otis Wiley, *P.S.C.*	Massachusetts	May 22, 1883	Nov. 7, 1887
Joseph B. Howell	Pennsylvania	May 27, 1884	Mar. 25, 1891
Joseph T. Fortiner	New Jersey	May 27, 1884	July 28, 1892
John R. Cantlin	Pennsylvania	Jan. 22, 1878	Aug. 7, 1892
Harry C. Stout, *P. S. C.*	Pennsylvania	May 27, 1884	Nov. 7, 1892
John Myers	Delaware	May 27, 1884	Nov. 30, 1892
A. M. Armbruster	Dist. of Col.	Sept. 14, 1887	May 31, 1893
Nicholas S. M. Morton	Maryland	May 24, 1892	Jan. 22, 1894
William L. Suddards	Pennsylvania	Jan. 22, 1878	Nov. 23, 1894
Jacob M. Gardner	Ohio	May 27, 1890	Oct. 8, 1895
Samuel R. Richards	Pennsylvania	Jan. 22, 1878	May 13, 1896
W. Emory Murray, *P. S. C.*	Maryland	May 4, 1880	May 20, 1896

When hearts, whose truth was proven,
Like thine, are laid in earth,
There should a wreath be woven
To tell the world their worth.

MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME CASTLE.

MARYLAND.

Name.	Castle.	No.	Admitted.	Residence.
Marcus W. Wolf, *P. S. C.*	Ivanhoe	4	Jan. 22 1878	Baltimore.
James Young, *P. S. C.*	Mars	3	Jan. 22, 1878	Baltimore.
Daniel Zeigler, *P. S. C.*	St. George	2	Jan. 22, 1878	Baltimore.
M. S. Ilgenfritz	Mars	3	Jan. 22, 1878	York, Pa.
Jacob H. Aull, *P. S C.*	Alhambra	7	May 4, 1880	Baltimore.
James M. Correll	Rescue	8	May 3, 1881	Baltimore.
John E. Burbage, *P. S. C.*	Belvidere	13	May 23, 1882	Baltimore.
William A. Kent	St. George	2	May 23, 1882	Baltimore.
Richard W. Maccubbin	Alhambra	7	May 22, 1883	Baltimore
James L McPhail	Ivanhoe	4	May 27, 1884	Baltimore.
R. Emory Enniss, *P. S. C.*	Mars	3	May 27, 1884	Baltimore.
Roma Ahl	St. George	2	May 26, 1885	Baltimore.
James E. Whiteford, M. D.	Alhambra	7	May 25, 1886	Baltimore.
Charles W. Cole	Rescue	8	May 22, 1888	Washington.
George R. Cross	Red Lion	1	May 23, 1888	Baltimore.
Paul E. McLelland	Alhambra	7	May 28, 1889	Baltimore.
Robert J. McCuen	Rescue	8	May 26, 1891	Baltimore.
Rev. Isaac Jewell	Alhambra	7	May 24, 1892	Perris, Cal.
William T. Hill	Alhambra	7	June 27, 1893	Baltimore.
A. S Haring	Oriental	14	June 26, 1894	Hagerstown.
James H. Livingston	Red Lion	1	Oct. 11, 1895	Baltimore.
William R. Smiley	Mars	3	Oct. 13, 1896	Baltimore.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Edward S. Rowand, *P. S. C.*	Keystone	1	Jan. 22, 1878	Philadelphia.
William J. Dornan	Apollo	3	Jan. 22, 1878	Philadelphia.
Henry T. Rayner, *P. S. C.*	Ingomar	4	Jan. 22, 1878	Philadelphia.
William A. Witherup	Keystone	1	June 18, 1878	Philadelphia.
T. McCarthy, *S K. of E.*	Excelsior	32	May 4, 1880	Philadelphia.
Wm. Culbertson, *S. M. of R.*	Apollo	3	June 15, 1880	Philadelphia.
Thomas W. Brooks	Ingomar	4	May 3, 1881	Philadelphia.
John Dickinson, *P. S. C.*	Apollo	3	May 22, 1883	Philadelphia.
Maximilian Weiss	Keystone	1	May 26, 1885	Philadelphia.
J. D. Barnes, *P. S. C.*	Cœur de Lion	24	May 27, 1885	Philadelphia.
George W. Crouch	St. George	60	May 25, 1886	Philadelphia
C. G. Simon	Philadelphia	9	Sept. 14, 1887	Philadelphia.

Name.	Castle.	No.	Admitted.	Residence.
Charles H. Huston	Aurora	15	May 22, 1888	Philadelphia.
Louis E. Stilz	Warwick	17	May 28, 1889	Philadelphia.
A. C. Lyttle, *P. S. C.*	Elmo	54	May 27, 1890	Altoona.
Davis Casselberry	Pennsylvania	14	May 24, 1892	Philadelphia.
D. D. Blauch	Pd. of Cambria	52	June 27, 1893	Johnstown.
Harry P. Reinicke	Harris	20	June 26, 1894	Philadelphia.
Frank A. Harris	Tyrone	79	Oct. 8, 1895	Tyrone.
Frederick Ameely	Germania	174	Oct. 8, 1895	Philadelphia.
Charles B. Wood	Warwick	17	Oct. 8, 1895	Philadelphia.
Jenkin Hill	Mount Penn	51	Oct. 13, 1896	Reading.
Robert R. Hodge	Crusaders	5	Oct. 14, 1896	Philadelphia.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Prescott Robinson	Columbia	4	May 26, 1885	Lake Port, N.H
Geo. H. Sumner, *P. S. C.*	Windsor	3	May 24, 1887	E. Calais, Vt.
Lyman P. Lewis, *P. S. C.*	Columbia	4	May 22, 1888	Somerville.
Julius A. Serra	Columbia	4	May 28, 1889	Charlestown.
Franklin O. Barnes	Suffolk	12	May 27, 1890	Chelsea.
Archibald H. Dolbeare	Essex	13	May 26, 1891	Lynn.
Walter F. Lawrence	Columbia	4	June 26, 1894	Somerville.
G. Gilbert Wilkins	Windsor	3	June 27, 1894	Charlestown.
Edwin B. Dow	Suffolk	12	Oct. 8, 1895	Chelsea.
John B. Roberts	Columbia	4	Oct. 13, 1896	Somerville.

DELAWARE.

Thomas Birchall, *P. S. C.*	Cyrus	1	May 22, 1883	Wilmington.
Howard L. George	St. George	3	May 27, 1884	Wilmington.
Horace G. Rettew	St. George	3	May 27, 1884	Wilmington.
John Saunders	St. George	3	May 27, 1884	Wilmington.
Charles H. Speer	Apollo	2	May 27, 1884	Wilmington.
Oscar F. Munda	St. John	4	May 27, 1884	Phila., Pa.
John B. Treibler, Jr	St. George	3	May 27, 1885	Balto., Md.
Jacob H. Thompson	Crusaders	5	May 22, 1888	Kentmere.
William O. Brown, *S. C.*	St. George	3	May 23, 1889	Wilmington.
Harry F. Vollmer	Chosen Friends	14	May 26, 1891	Kenton.
Rev. George W. Dame	Union	17	May 27, 1892	Smyrna.
John Aspril	Delaware	12	June 28, 1893	Wilmington.
W. Frank Taylor	Hockessin	15	June 26, 1894	Hockessin.
Garrett S. Smith	Crusaders	5	Oct. 8, 1895	Wilmington.
J. Albert Lynam	Appoquinimink	19	Oct. 8, 1895	Townsend.
Charles H. Hudson	Apollo	2	Oct. 10, 1895	Wilmington.
James H. Pierson	Brandywine	11	Oct. 13, 1896	Wilmington.

NEW JERSEY.

Name.	Castle.	No.	Admitted.	Residence.
George A. Bingham	Phœnix	70	May 26, 1885	Camden.
John P. Price	Ivanhoe	5	May 26, 1885	Salem.
Joseph J. Chester	Millville	2	May 26, 1885	Millville.
Charles O. Pedrick	Washington	3	May 26, 1885	Camden.
George J. Robertson	New Jersey	4	May 26, 1885	Mount Holly.
William J. Freas	Ivanhoe	5	May 26, 1885	Salem.
Henry F. Bacon	Ivanhoe	5	May 24, 1887	Salem.
Irving W. Kelly, *P. S. C.*	Trenton	7	May 22, 1888	Trenton.
Horace J. Parks	Monarch	9	May 28, 1889	Camden.
H. Frank Pettit	Washington	3	May 26, 1891	Camden.
William N. Hewitt	Bridgeton	13	May 26, 1891	Bridgeton.
F. Wayland Potter	Washington	3	June 27, 1893	Camden.
Joseph Arnold	Bridgeton	13	June 26, 1894	Phila., Pa.
Robert M. Foust	Woodbury	15	Oct. 8, 1895	Woodbury.
William C. Hunter	Cœur de Lion	36	Oct. 8, 1895	Swedesboro.
James E. Highley	Woodbury	15	Oct. 8, 1895	Phila., Pa.
George L. Frazee	Monarch	9	Oct. 9, 1895	Delanco.
Walter A. Barrows	New Jersey	4	Oct. 13, 1896	Mount Holly.
Frank A. Buren	Cross & Crown	25	Oct. 14, 1896	Camden.
Edward D. Senseman	Monarch	9	Oct. 14, 1896	Camden.
John C. F. Trachsell	Cross & Crown	25	Oct. 14, 1896	Camden.
Daniel M. Stevens	Washington	3	Oct. 15, 1896	Camden.

NEW YORK.

Anson S. McNab	Rochester City	6	May 24, 1887	Rochester.
Fred Harman	Columbia	14	May 25, 1887	Brooklyn.
George W. Francisco	Excelsior	2	May 25, 1887	Brooklyn.
Alfred Merritt	Fidelity	17	May 24, 1892	Brooklyn.
Robert C. Westley	Bushwick	12	June 26, 1894	Brooklyn.
Daniel W. Hallock	Fidelity	17	Oct. 13, 1896	Brooklyn.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Joseph L. Degant	Central	1	May 24, 1887	Wheeling.
T. M. Garvin	Central	1	May 23, 1888	Wheeling.
John C. Craft	Central	1	May 27, 1890	Wheeling.
W. H. Williams	Garfield	3	May 27, 1890	Elm Grove.
S. N. Hirst	Wheeling City	2	May 27, 1890	Wheeling.
J. W. McCracken	Central	1	May 26, 1891	Wheeling.
H. A. McNash	Central	1	June 27, 1893	Phila., Pa.
William P. Collins	Central	1	June 27, 1893	Wheeling.
Lewis P. Creekbaum	John H. Oley	8	Oct. 8, 1895	Huntington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Name.	Castle.	No.	Admitted.	Residence.
J. C. Gooding	Monarch	2	Sept. 14, 1887	Washington.
Thomas B. Baker	Cyrus	1	Sept. 14, 1887	Washington.
E. L. Tolson	Monarch	2	May 22, 1888	Washington.
P. B. Otterback	America	3	May 22, 1888	Washington.
Frank C. Townsend	Monarch	2	May 27, 1890	Washington.
A. W. Ward, Jr.	Potomac	6	Oct. 8, 1895	Washington.
Henry T. Adams	America	3	Oct. 13, 1896	Washington.

OHIO.

Ira Bicknell, Jr.	Cincinnati	2	May 22, 1888	Cincinnati.
F. M. Corry	Hamilton	6	May 28, 1889	Hamilton.
John C. Stage	Logan	1	May 26, 1891	Springfield.
A. H. Alexander. *S. H. P.*	Logan	1	May 24, 1892	Dayton.
William D. Gilfillen	Miami	8	June 27, 1893	Sidney.
Frank Castner	Ivanhoe	19	June 26, 1894	Ironton.
Jo M. Wilson	Jefferson	39	Oct. 8, 1895	Steubenville.
E. V. Moore, *S. V. C.*	Tawawa	37	Oct. 8, 1895	Sidney.

MISSOURI.

J. H. Eckart	Joplin	2	May 28, 1889	Joplin.

GEORGIA.

John F. Lubs	Georgia	11	June 26, 1894	Savannah.

CONNECTICUT.

W. H. Stannis	P. H. Sheridan	2	May 28, 1889	Meriden.
H. M. Johnson	Crusaders	3	May 28, 1889	New Haven.
Ernest Koch. *P. S. C.*	Ivanhoe	7	May 27, 1890	Darien.
Samuel W. Clark	Erwin	5	May 27, 1891	New Britain.
Charles P. Butler	Crusaders	3	May 24, 1892	New Haven.
Fred L. Trowbridge	Crusaders	3	June 28, 1893	New Haven.
Wilbur C. Lambert	Rock	8	June 26, 1894	New Haven.
Albert L. Otis	P. H. Sheridan	2	June 26, 1894	Meriden.
Willis H. Roden	Erwin	5	Oct. 8, 1895	New Britain.
Jos. P. Dickinson. *S. S. H.*	Winthrop	10	Oct. 13, 1896	New Haven.

KENTUCKY.

Jhon M. Hutton	Myrtle	2	May 26, 1891	Ashland.
John W. Wagner	Commonwealth.	5	May 24, 1892	Covington.
Eli W LeFeber, *S. S. G.*	Commonwealth.	5	Oct. 8, 1895	Newport.

KANSAS.

Thomas E. Sheard	Apollo	6	May 24, 1892	Topeka.
William A. Murphy	Cambria	11	Oct. 8, 1895	New Cambria.

CALIFORNIA.

Name.	Castle.	No.	Admitted.	Residence.
Daniel Norcross	California	1	May 26, 1891	San Francisco.
John W. Van Horn	California	1	June 27, 1893	San Leandro.
J. S. Buskirk	Los Angeles	7	June 26, 1894	Los Angeles.
Samuel McCall	California	1	Oct. 8, 1895	San Francisco.

MICHIGAN.

Edward Phillips	Kirkwood	2	May 28, 1889	Detroit.
Edwin O. Krentler	Kirkwood	2	May 28, 1889	Detroit.
Arthur A. Higginson	Detroit	1	May 27, 1890	Detroit.
A. A. Case	Eureka	4	May 26, 1891	Pittsford.
A. T. Driggs	Malta	3	May 24, 1892	Grand Rapids.
Charles H. Gale	Kirkwood	2	June 26, 1894	Detroit.

COLORADO.

C. M. Miller	Denver	7	May 27, 1890	Denver.
William T. Bennallak	Black Hawk	2	June 27, 1893	Central City.
C. W. Jeffries	Denver	7	June 26, 1894	Denver.
A. McDonald	Headlight	10	Oct. 13, 1896	Denver.

INDIANA.

Thomas J. Turner	Anderson	4	May 26, 1891	Anderson.
Charles W. Pens	Wayne	2	June 27, 1893	Fort Wayne.
W. W. Canada	Canada	7	June 26, 1894	Winchester.
Cyrus Moore	Grant	3	Oct. 13, 1896	Marion.
James Patchell	Union	1	Oct. 13, 1896	Union City.

MAINE.

Howard Winslow, *S. F. G.*	Windsor	1	May 24, 1892	Portland.
Charles F. Hayford	Alhambra	5	May 24, 1892	Lewiston.
Charles F. Carr	Windsor	1	June 27, 1893	Portland.
James W. Stevenson	Windsor	1	June 26, 1894	Portland.
James W. Pinkham	Windsor	1	Oct. 8, 1895	Portland.
Moses E. Downing	Highland	2	Oct. 8, 1895	Portland.
Harry A. Weymuth, M. D.	York	4	Oot. 8, 1895	Saco.
George E. McCann	Conway	3	Oct. 13, 1896	Auburn.

PAST GRAND CHIEFS ENTITLED TO ADMISSION.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Name.	Castle.	No.	When Entitled.
William Cowan	Clearfield	155	May 22, 1883
E. W. Clevenger	America	35	May 26, 1891
Charles A. Bickel	Cyrene	27	May 24, 1892

MASSACHUSETTS.

Frank D. Woodbury	Columbia	4	Oct. 10, 1895

DELAWARE.

Harry Whiteman	Ivy	23	Oct. 13, 1896

NEW YORK.

Peter J. Art	Cœur de Lion	4	May 24, 1887
John H. Lockwood	Excelsior	2	May 27, 1890
Joseph W. Stillwell	Excelsior	2	May 27, 1890
William Lee	Excelsior	2	May 27, 1890
Joseph W. Poole	Excelsior	2	June 26, 1894
Frederick A. Brotsch	Rochester City	6	Oct. 8, 1895
Charles E. Lenfestey	Cœur de Lion	4	Oct. 8, 1895
Charles Schoenhut, Jr.	Buffalo City	18	Oct. 8, 1895

WEST VIRGINIA.

C. W. Kennedy	Wheeling City	2	May 24, 1884
James T. McGee	Wheeling City	2	Oct. 8, 1895
T. H. Clay	John H. Oley	8	Oct. 13, 1896

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

William H. Signor	Cyrus	1	Oct. 8, 1895
George A. Warren	Cyrus	1	Oct. 13, 1896

OHIO.

Daniel Emrick, Jr.	Hamilton	6	May 22, 1888
C. E. Johnson, M. D.	Miami	8	June 26, 1894
John D. Feyen	Eintracht	28	Oct. 8, 1895
J. D. Cadwallader	Logan	1	Oct. 10, 1895

MISSOURI.

Name.	Castle.	No.	When Entitled.
B. B. Clark	Cœur de Lion	1	May 22, 1888
George E. Casavan	Cœur de Lion	1	May 22, 1888
Rudolph Seidenstricker	Joplin	2	May 22. 1888
D. M. Symons	Cœur de Lion	1	June 27, 1893
F. W. Danne	Mozart	7	June 26, 1894

GEORGIA.

Samuel C. Griffin.	Ivanhoe	1	May 28, 1889

CONNECTICUT.

Wm. H. Willmott, Jr.	Darien	7	Oct. 8, 1895
Starr W. Wildman	Mahacamo	4	Oct. 10, 1895

KENTUCKY.

William Cobb	Commonwealth	5	May 28, 1889
A. G. Berry	Myrtle	2	Oct. 13, 1896
George B. Carter	Pioneer	4	Oct. 13, 1896

KANSAS.

Will H. Tobias	Apollo	6	May 28, 1889
C. W. Stowe	Columbia	13	Oct. 8, 1895
M. H. Wagner	Apollo	6	Oct. 8, 1895

CALIFORNIA.

T. F. Laird	Pioneer	5	May 28, 1889
Wesley F. Norcross	California	1	May 27, 1890
Thomas R. Tilley	California	1	June 26, 1894
Urban A. Lewis	California	1	Oct. 8, 1895
W. O. Farnsworth	California	1	Oct. 8, 1895
George B. Hanna	California	1	Oct. 8, 1895
Daniel N. Hanna	California	1	Oct. 13, 1896

MICHIGAN.

T. W. Teevan	Red Cross	5	May 27, 1890
J. B. Kessler.	Fidelity	6	May 27, 1890
Elmer E. Stone	Detroit	1	May 27, 1890
James H. Ritchie.	Kirkwood	2	May 26, 1890
J. G. Stewart	Detroit	1	June 27, 1893
James Trebilcock	Lake Superior	12	Oct. 13, 1896

COLORADO.

William Gumma	Denver	7	May 27, 1890
F. S. Bagley	Denver	7	May 27, 1890
Frank A. Moore	Grand Canon	5	May 26, 1891

Name.	Castle.	No.	When Entitled.
James W. Ogs on	Liberty	1	May 24, 1892
Joseph Powell	Headlight	10	Oct. 8, 1895
Stephen Nichols	Denver	7	Oct. 10, 1895
E. F. Lake	Liberty	1	Oct. 13, 1896

INDIANA.

Reuben H. Shugars	Union	1	May 24, 1892
John E. Miller	Wayne	2	June 27, 1893
S. M. Harland	Union	1	June 27, 1893
W. S. Harrison	Wayne	2	Oct. 13, 1896
Frank Middleton	Grant	3	Oct. 13, 1896
John R. Page	Anderson	4	Oct. 13, 1896

MAINE.

Fred. W. Jones	Conway	3	May 24, 1892
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James P. Hutchinson	Conway	3	Oct. 13, 1896
John H. Henry	Windsor	1	Oct. 13, 1896

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" (Uinta Co.)	Joseph Reeves, Jr.,	Wyoming	2	Almy.
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The Supreme Castle was organized in the City of Baltimore, Md., January 22, 1878. Subsequent sessions have been held as follows:

No.	Place.	Date.	Supreme Chief.
1	Baltimore, Md	May 4, 1880	J. M. M. Conrad, Maryland.
2	Philadelphia, Pa	May 3, 1881	Edward S. Rowand, Pennsylvania.
3	Baltimore, Md	May 23, 1882	Edward S. Rowand, Pennsylvania.
4	Philadelphia, Pa	May 22, 1883	Edward S. Rowand, Pennsylvania.
5	Wilmington, Del	May 27, 1884	Edward S. Rowand, Pennsylvania.
6	Camden, N. J.	May 26, 1885	John W. Simpson, Maryland.
7	Philadelphia, Pa	May 25 1886	George Otis Wiley, Massachusetts.
8	Brooklyn, N. Y	May 24, 1887	Harry C. Stout, Pennsylvania.
9	Washington, D. C	May 28, 1888	Thomas Birchall, Delaware.
10	Boston, Mass	May 28, 1889	J. D. Barnes, Pennsylvania.
11	Pittsburg, Pa	May 27, 1890	R. Emory Enniss, Maryland.
12	Springfield, Ohio	May 26, 1891	Irving W. Kelly, New Jersey.
13	Atlantic City, N. J	May 24, 1892	George H. Sumner, Massachusetts.
14	Baltimore, Md	June 27, 1893	Ernest Koch, Connecticut.
15	New Haven, Conn	June 26, 1894	C. W. Mitchell, Ohio.
16	Washington, D. C	Oct. 8, 1895	Jacob H. Aull, Maryland.
17	Reading, Pa	Oct. 13, 1896	A. C. Lyttle, Pennsylvania.

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All printed or other material furnished by the Supreme Castle to any Grand or Subordinate Temple, members thereof, or other parties, for creating a revenue for the Supreme Castle, shall be known under the general heading of "Supplies," which shall be furnished as may be from time to time specified, changed, altered, or amended by legislation at a regular session; but, for the time being, shall be as follows:

TEMPLE SUPPLIES TO GRAND CASTLES OR GRAND TEMPLES.

Charter Fee to Grand Temples (including Five Rituals)	$10 00
Charter Plates for Subordinate Temples, each	1 00
Dispensation Plates for Subordinate Temples, each	50
Rituals for Subordinate Temples, per set of five	4 00
Ode Cards, each	2
Withdrawal Cards, each	12½
Dismissal Certificates, each	12½
Music Ode Books, per dozen	1 20
Badges for Subordinate Temples, per dozen	5 00
Badges for Subordinate Temples, each	50

SUPPLIES TO SUBORDINATE TEMPLES.

Charter Fee (including 5 Rituals and 50 Ode Cards)	$10 00
Rituals, each	1 00
Ode Cards, each	3
Withdrawal Cards, each	25
Dismissal Certificates, each	25
Music Ode Books, each	20
Badges, per dozen	5 00
Badges, each	50

☞All orders for Supplies, whether from Grand Castles or Grand or Subordinate Temples, MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH THE CASH, except in the case of new Temples during the first six months of their existence.

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